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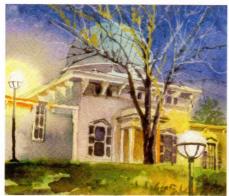
















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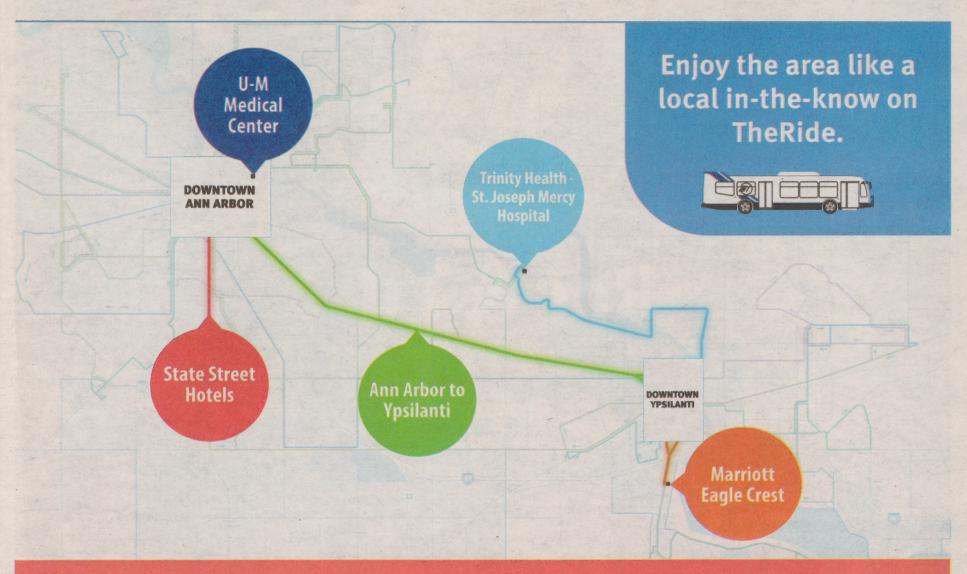
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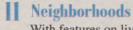
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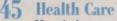
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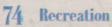
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Two centuries ago, settlers flooded into southern Michigan. They changed the landscape forever.

# by Grace Shackman

t's a busy year for Washtenaw County. Ann Arbor, Dexter, and Dixboro all are celebrating their bicentennial birthday in 2024. Two other communities bracket these dates: Ypsilanti marked the 200th anniversary of its first settlement in 2023, while Whitmore Lake's celebration will be next year.

It's no coincidence: all were founded during a land rush that followed the defeat of the Midwest's Indigenous inhabitants and construction of the Erie Canal.

After the Revolutionary War, England ceded its North American claims all the way to the Mississippi River to the United States. In 1787, the Northwest Ordinance decreed that the area north of the Ohio River could be divided into as many as five states. But England had promised its Native allies that it would prevent permanent settlement in the region, and it kept forts

in the area until 1794, when an American army defeated a confederation of Native American nations in the Battle of Fallen Timbers in Ohio.

The Americans' guns and steel swords were a great advantage, but an invisible weapon was even more deadly: the diseases that Europeans had acquired through centuries of trade with Asia and Africa. By the time they arrived in the Americas, most were endemic, circulating constantly but rarely causing mass deaths, because people infected earlier had acquired immunity.

Native Americans had no such protection: their ancestors left Asia before diseases like smallpox and measles made the leap from animals to humans. In the years after European contact, as many as 90 percent of the Indigenous population of the Americas may have died in the "American plagues."

Weakened by war and illness, representatives of the Potawatomi, Ottawa, Chippewa, and Wyandot (Huron) gave up control of a great swath of Southeastern Michigan in the Treaty of Detroit in 1807. During the War of 1812, a new confederation under the Shawnee leader Tecumseh again allied with the British, but suffered heavy casualties. When Tecumseh died in battle, the alliance collapsed.

ative farmers growing squash, beans, and corn in river bottoms once supported populous communities in southern Michigan. But by the nineteenth century, prolonged cold spells had long since





Top left: State senator Jeff Irwin, state rep Jason Morgan, and U.S. rep Debbie Dingell with Dixboro United Methodist trustee Kenn Scheffer. Above: Dingell joins the celebration in Dexter and visiting guests from the Michigan Wheelmen pose with "Samuel Dexter" (Mark Olexa).

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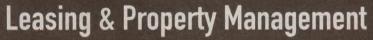
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driven the agriculturalists south, replaced by smaller groups that lived mainly by hunting and gathering.

The most numerous were the Potawatomi, whose domain then stretched across Lower Michigan and into Wisconsin. Like those before them, they shaped the landscape in ways that seemed so natural that the first Europeans didn't even recognize it as a human creation: by setting fire to prairies to preserve the woodland edges that attracted game, they created the "oak openings" that appealed to Ann Arbor's founders.

Before anyone could buy the land, however, it had to be subdivided. Starting in 1822, surveyor Orange Risdon and his crew laid out six-mile-square townships, each with its grid of planned north-south and east-west roads. Overlaid on Native paths that became Pontiac Trail,

Others made the trek overland, either through Canada or the U.S., traversing rough roads through vast swamps.

The land office in Detroit was their first stop. From there, would-be town builders set out in search of sites on a river or stream that they could dam to power sawmills and grist mills. In Ypsilanti the Huron River runs right through town, while Ann Arbor, Dexter, and Dixboro were all located on its tributaries.

he first settlers, in 1823, were Benjamin and Ella Woodruff. They'd been living near Sandusky, Ohio, but when Woodruff had inherited money from her grandparents, they decided to invest in Michigan land.

Benjamin took an advance trip accompanied by two neighbors. In Monroe, they met

Early Ann Arbor settler Harriet Noble recalled that during her family's stay at John Allen and Elisha Rumsey's guest house, there were just two beds for twenty-one women and fourteen children, so most slept on the floor.

Plymouth, Dexter, Geddes, and Liberty roads, and Michigan Ave., his survey still defines the county's roads.

The U.S. government had "bought" the land for a little more than a penny an acre. In 1824, it offered it for sale at \$1.25 an acre, and would-be settlers began scouting out potential farms and town sites. Some arrived by boat via Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, and the Detroit River, braving sudden storms that roiled the shallow lakes.



Dexter held the biggest celebration: its June events included a parade and a carnival, with a Ferris wheel towering over Main St. Olexa kept busy posing for photos, including with this group of Girl Scouts. In August, he also appeared at Dixboro's celebration.

four friends from Sandusky who joined their party. All seven ended up buying land along the Huron. Their settlement, Woodruff's Grove, was near today's intersection of S. Grove and S. Prospect streets.

That winter, Virginian John Allen and Elisha Rumsey, from New York State, met in Detroit and decided to pool their resources. After a February snowfall they took a horse and sleigh to Woodruff's Grove. Ten miles west, they chose a square-mile town site on what became known as Allen's Creek. Along with ready water power, the oak openings meant less back-breaking labor to clear forests for farms and houses. The Erie Canal was almost complete, and they expected settlers would soon be pouring in.

Neither man had a good reputation back home. Allen had been given cattle to sell by a group of neighbors, which he did—but instead of returning to give them the proceeds, he used it to buy Michigan land in his own name. Rumsey had been to Detroit before, only to be fetched back to New York State by a lawyer pursuing an unpaid debt.

In the Michigan Territory, they were just two more ambitious speculators. Though their land was not in the center of Washtenaw County, they quickly persuaded the territorial government to make "Annarbour" the county seat. Allen gave land for a courthouse, Rumsey for a jail, and they jointly promised to spend \$1,000 to bridge the Huron.

The courthouse at Main and Huron has been replaced twice but remains on its original site. Rumsey's property on E. Liberty was never used for a jail, but a century and half later ended up in government use after all, as the Federal Building

Allen and Rumsey built a log house on the corner of Huron and First to shelter lot-buyers until they could build their own places. Many years later, an early settler, Harriet Noble, recalled that during her family's stay, there were just two beds for twenty-one women and fourteen children, so most slept on the floor. "When the children were put in bed, you could not set a



Compared to its smaller neighbors, Ann Arbor's celebration was low key. At a volunteer-organized "birthday party" in May, AADL archivist Andrew MacLaren and Norm Tyler promoted app-based "smart tours" of local historic landmarks, from Central Campus to the Old West Side and the Underground Railroad.

foot down, without stepping on a foot or a hand. The consequence [was] we had music most of the time" as people squawked in protest.

A few miles northeast, in Dixboro, former sea captain John Dixboro modeled his own settlement on the towns he'd known in Massachusetts: centered on a town square that housed a church and a one-room school. By 1826, he'd dammed Fleming Creek and built a sawmill and a gristmill.

amuel Dexter was the wealthiest of the newcomers. Descended from a prominent Massachusetts family, he studied law at Harvard and set up practice in central New York State. But in 1822, his wife and infant daughter died of an unknown illness. He later wrote to a cousin that he "came to Michigan to get rid of the blue devils or to speak more politely of that ennui which like a demon pursues those who have nothing to do."

Dexter found much to do in Michigan: he rode 2,000 miles on horseback with Orange Risdon before choosing his townsite. First known as the Mill Creek Settlement, it was renamed Dexter in1830—not for himself, Dexter said, but to honor his father, a U.S. senator and cabinet member.

Dexter remarried before leaving New York, but his second wife, Susan Dunham, died in childbirth in 1827. His third wife, Millicent, who was only sixteen when they married, outlived him for many years.

Dexter's first house was torn down, but his second, Gordon Hall, remains a commanding presence on top of a hill just outside Dexter in Webster Twp. After some hard years it is now in good hands, with dedicated members of the Dexter Area Historical Society restoring it as they collect funds.

Whitmore Lake was founded by two speculators from Ann Arbor, Jonathan Stratton and Luke Whitmore. Orange Risdon bought the land that would become Saline in 1824, but was too busy surveying to lay out his town until 1829.

Risdon located his own house high on a hill overlooking the road he'd surveyed. He let people bury their dead on his land, and as the cemetery grew, his house was moved to a side street; its original location is marked so visitors can see where it was.

he towns transformed the landscape, but the farmers' impact was even greater, because they cleared forests and drained swamps to grow crops. The virgin soil was rich, and at first, many settlers prospered. They shopped in the towns and marketed their wheat and apples there, either for local consumption or for shipment to eastern markets after the Michigan Central Railroad came through in the 1830s.

That was when the towns' fortunes first diverged: Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, and Dexter were on the main line, but the railroad bypassed Dixboro and Whitmore Lake. Their growth stopped, and neither ever grew large enough to form its own government.

As the soil's initial fertility was exhausted, many of the first settlers sold out and moved west to start again. The buyers were often immigrants from Swabia in southern Germany, whose frugal ways and regenerative practices sustained them for generations. Other Germans became townspeople, opening everything from breweries to bakeries.

Ann Arbor's future was decided in 1837, when developers won the University of Michigan by donating the land that became the Diag. Ypsilanti landed the Michigan Normal School, now EMU, in 1849. Both drove their towns' growth through the twentieth century, but diverged in the twenty-first: The U-M and Ann Arbor have continued to grow, while EMU's enrollment fell and Ypsi lost population.

s the newcomers arrived in the 1820s, most Potawatomi moved west. At first the migration was voluntary and gradual, but after congress passed a draconian "removal" law in 1830, almost all were forcefully rounded up and exiled to reservations west of the Mississippi.

Today, the Oklahoma-based Citizen Potawatomi Nation counts more than 37,000 registered members in the U.S. and Canada. But there also are four reservations in Michigan, the largest of which is the 1,600-member Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi.

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# Neighborhoods

Longtime Ann Arborites tend to have a strong sense of ownership about the place, and complaining about change is a favorite pastime. Every year brings big new buildings, new bike lanes, new traffic patterns, new parking rates. And for each one, you may hear an "I hardly recognize Ann Arbor anymore."

Yet all the changes help keep Ann Arbor fresh, and the city has drawn new residents by getting out in front of urban trends. Downtown, which just a few years ago had only a smattering of permanent residents, draws newcomers to condos and apartment buildings. Nearby singlefamily homes have seen prices go through the roof—even more so than homes in the rest of a city that U.S. News & World Report has repeatedly named the best place to live in Michigan, and the nineteenth-best in the entire country. Students, who in old Ann Arbor rarely went west of Division St., now bring their energy-and their pressure on housing prices-to a much wider swath of the city.

The sense of ownership Ann Arborites feel extends to their neighborhoods, which have close cohesion and some noteworthy traditions that stretch far back into the past. Ask an Old West Sider how to pronounce the name of Bach School sometime. Or drop by one of the city's 162 parks to meet the locals.

In this section, in addition to giving you an idea of what you might be able to afford, we try to convey something of the feel of each individual part of the city. From housing styles to landscape features, schools, characteristic residents (some of whom we profile), and history, we offer a high-definition snapshot—even though Ann Arbor is a place that's changing all the time. And we have information on bicycling and walking for each neighborhood. -James M. Manheim

Neighborhoods are listed alphabetically based on elementary school attendance areas. For senior housing (assisted living, nursing centers, and independent living), see the Seniors section of this guide, p. 59.



At the westernmost edge of Ann Arbor's 48103 zip code, Woodview Commons is adding 100 rental townhouses to the Abbot neighborhood

Walk Score (walkscore.com) is a 0-100 scale with higher numbers corresponding to greater

### **ABBOT**

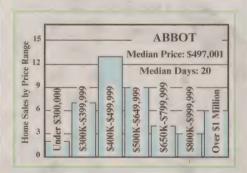
Smaller mid-century ranch homes abound on the flat, quiet streets of Ann Arbor's relatively affordable and family-friendly Abbot neighborhood on the northwest side with pockets of million-dollar spreads in the tony twenty-year-old Walnut Ridge subdivision. Veterans Memorial Park offers an outdoor pool in spring and summer and an indoor ice arena in the fall and winter, along with a 30,000-square-foot skatepark. North and west of M-14, newer rural residential development mixes with farmland between Wagner and Zeeb; these Scio Twp. lots are typically big enough to require a riding lawn

Around the school itself, the Hollywood Park subdivision, named for a three-acre park adjacent to school grounds, is close to highway access ramps and the commercial strip along Maple and Stadium, which includes two groceries: upscale Plum Market and discount ALDI. A major apartment complex, 328-unit Arbor Landings, is discreetly tucked away off Dexter Rd. west of Maple; on Maple itself, the latest phase of the Maple Cove complex continues its march southward toward Miller. At its westernmost point, Abbot's district dips south of Jackson Ave. to take in most of the Scio Farms manufactured home community (a few blocks in this community are assigned to Haisley School). Woodview Commons' 100 rental townhouses were under construction as the City Guide went to press; though just beyond the AAPS boundary, they'll have Ann Arbor

Abbot grads go to Forsythe Middle School and then Skyline High.

Bike lanes: Maple, Dexter Rd., and Miller are all major arterial streets with bike lanes. Portions of Jackson Ave. have bike lanes

Walking: Abbot School has a Walk Score of 50. Walking on Maple to shopping is possible, but Dexter Rd. has no sidewalks and is dangerous for pedestrians.



# **ALLEN**

Allen Elementary serves four noncontiguous areas in southeast Ann Arbor, mostly around Washtenaw Ave. and US-23. The school's immediate surroundings are a compact section of single-family red-brick houses built in the 1950s and 1960s, as well as the 103-unit ranchstyle Carleton Court apartment complex at Packard. Students also are bused in from three huge rental complexes south of I-94: the 582 unit Pines of Cloverlane and 440-unit Hamptons of Cloverlane, both off Michigan Ave., and the 609-unit University Townhouses co-op off Ellsworth.

# **High Interest** Rates. Fewer Sales

But the houses that do sell make an average of \$637K

ocal Realtors reported selling 844 singlefamily homes in the Ann Arbor School District between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024. There were also 601 condominium sales in the district, but for the sake of simplicity, our report will focus only on single-family homes

Interest rates as high as 7 percent kept people in their homes, and the lack of available inventory continued to stymie

sales. This year, the average sold price rose to \$637,233, while the median sales price was \$545,000. What does that house look like? In the Wines School District, a 3-bedroom, 2-bath home with 1,540 square feet was listed for \$539,800 and sold very quickly for \$550,000. Bonus for this house: It

This graph divides the sales into six broad

backs to the 52-acre Miller Woods Nature

price ranges. The majority of the sales (334) continue to fall into the broader range of \$500,000-\$799,999; however the number of sales above \$800,000 (170) is down slightly from previous reports, 106 homes sold above the \$1,000,000 mark, and 8 of those sold above \$2,000,000, twice the number of last year. The most expensive home sold in the district went for \$3,300,000, and is located on 75 acres in the Logan Elementary District with a design inspired by Frank Lloyd Wright. Meanwhile, only six homes sold for less than \$200,000, most of them around Bryant School.

On the following pages, nineteen additional graphs similarly break down sales within each elementary school's attendance boundaries. The median selling price is also listed. The figures are based on analysis of

Single-Family Home Sales
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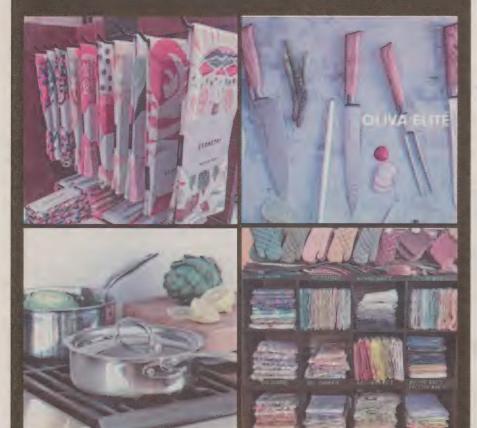
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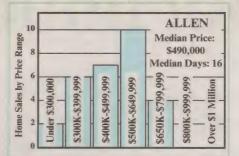
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Yet Allen students also hail from more bucolic and upscale swaths north of Washtenaw Ave., with unpaved streets and large, wooded lots along Chalmers and Woodland as well as bigger, newer homes in the Woodcreek subdivision. The area includes tract mansions along the river that tower over the smaller, architect-designed homes of the Thornoaks sub, which Pittsfield Twp. designated as a Local Historic District in 2018 to preserve its unique mid-century modern charm. Another upper-middle-class segment is south of Michigan Ave. in Hickory Pointe, a subdivision with sixty-five homes, five parks, and a swim club.

Allen School lies behind historic Cobblestone Farm and year-round city recreation favorite Buhr Park, which features a swimming pool, outdoor ice rink, and sports fields. A new community, Veridian at County Farm, is currently taking reservations for homes; powered by solar, it will be one of the nation's first mixed-income net-zero energy communities, and a third of the landscape will be dedicated to food production, along with a local farm store

Allen grads go to either Scarlett or Tappan middle schools, and from there to either Huron or Pioneer high schools.

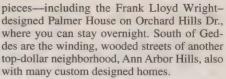
Bike lanes: Platt, Packard, and Stone School Rd. have bike lanes. Washtenaw Ave. has an off-street path. The school's immediate neighborhood is well-connected with bike-friendly streets that make it viable to ride from E. Stadium on Brockman Blvd. and St. Francis Dr., across Medford, Towner, and Easy St., all the way to Packard or through Buhr Park. In the northern segment of the zoning district, dedicated bike lanes run from Gallup Park south on Huron Pkwy. to Washtenaw Ave

Walking: Allen School has a Walk Score of 32. The Woodcreek subdivision area is close to Arborland-area shopping, with groceries and more, but many areas are not within walking distance of retail

# ANGELL

Homes served by Angell School range from fraternities and student apartments near the U-M campus to exclusive homes to the north and east, including residences of prominent university and medical school faculty. Bordering on the 123-acre Nichols Arboretum, a wooded natural area sloping down to the Huron River, Angell in its northern reaches is parklike itself. The riverside areas are among the city's most expensive neighborhoods, with stately mansions and large, secluded homes

East of the Arb, the streets north of Geddes are lined with one-of-a-kind homes from the decades on either side of World War II. Perched on the slopes overlooking the river are newer custom-built houses, many in mid-century modern styles. Many are architectural show-



The Angell district also reaches north of the river to take in the modernist 360-unit Huron Towers, built in 1960 and constructed using the then-new lift-slab system devised by U-M architecture prof Philip Youtz, and U-M family housing on North Campus. Bordering North Campus is University Commons, consisting of 92 condos independently owned by residents, who are at least 55 years old and many of whom are retired university faculty or staff. Children also are bused in from the huge 598unit Golfside Lake apartment complex east of

Angell grads go on to Tappan or Scarlett middle schools and meet up again at Huron High.

Bike lanes: Geddes and Hill have bike paths. Campus areas are also well supplied with bike infrastructure.

Walking: Angell School has a Walk Score of 75, and many parts of the neighborhood are within walking distance of shopping on South University.

### BACH

With their porch swings and bountiful frontyard gardens, the homes of the city's Old West Side—just a short walk from downtown—welcome passersby to the heart of the Bach Elementary area, which boasts thirteen historic districts. Most homes are small Victorians built by 19th-century German immigrants. Many have been painstakingly restored. In exchange for some of the highest prices per square foot in the city, buyers get shady streets, houses with character, and a fabulous location

Also served by Bach School (Ann Arborites say "Bah") are the neighborhoods around downtown and the U-M campus, including the Old Fourth Ward Historic District. Increasingly gentrified, with rehabbed single-family homes as well as a growing collection of luxury condominiums, the area is also home to many wellworn student rentals. North of Miller, homes are set close to the sidewalk on narrow lots, with porch sitters, bike riders, and kids playing on the sidewalk. Long economically and racially mixed, this neighborhood has become less diverse as prices rise, but rentals remain

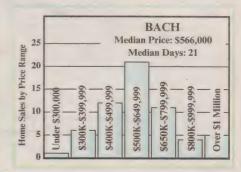
Farther south, single-family bungalows, small ranches, and a few story-and-a-halfs (most built after World War II) thread outward from Allmendinger Park, with its softball diamonds, playground, tennis and basketball courts, and picnic facilities. Lilacs line its perimeter.

This area also encompasses Michigan Stadium, and that means homeowners in the vicinity can make significant revenue offering parking in their driveways and yards during football

To the east, Bach extends past downtown all the way to the U-M Diag. The red-brick buildings of 207-unit Nob Hill, the old-timer among the area's apartment complexes, fit comfortably into the neighborhood's southern edge. Bordering the Old West Side and downtown sit the 68unit Liberty Lofts condos, a tasteful conversion of a former auto parts plant.

Downtown student apartments are well represented here and are steadily creeping west. The new offerings are sprouting like bamboo. The





nineteen-story Legacy near Michigan Theater, aiming for a fall 2025 opening, is downtown's tallest building since the twenty-six-story Tower Plaza on E. William opened in 1969. There's much more to come: Another ten student towers are proposed in Bach and other neighborhoods touching Central Campus.

On S. Main is Ashley Mews, which has condos modeled after traditional brownstones, a central courtyard, and underground parking; another 120 units are promised for the adjacent sixteenstory tower vacated by DTE Energy. Many high-end condos in this area are also still in the works, including a seven-unit boutique condo building at 212 Miller; 330 Detroit St., which sits on the triangular block formed by Detroit St., Fifth Ave., and Catherine St., boasts fifteen luxury units. A thirty-seven-unit mid-rise condo has been proposed to replace Braun Ct. across from the Farmers Market; next door, the affordable Dunbar Tower will soon add sixty-three subsidized units

Bach School also serves the triangle bounded by S. Main, Eisenhower, and Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. Residents of the 306-unit Woodland Mews flats and townhouses (which include both owneroccupied condos and rental units) can walk to Busch's supermarket and Whole Foods-or to a game at U-M's soccer stadium.

Bach grads go on to Slauson Middle School, but some on the northern edge can choose Forsythe Middle School. Those who live north of Huron attend Skyline High; the rest go to Pio-

Bike lanes: The city's protected bike lane on William connects the west side with the university. On the west side, Liberty has a bike lane, Seventh has one northbound (the Bach side), and wide Washington is a suggested route.

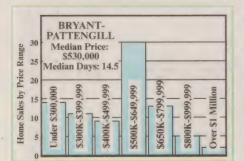
Walking: Bach School's Walk Score is 86, and that's probably one of the lower scores within the school's zoning boundaries. Downtown residents are just a few minutes' walk from the Farmers Market, the People's Food Co-op, Zingerman's Deli, and Kerrytown Market & Shops, and almost every corner of this neighborhood has retail nearby.

## **BRYANT-PATTENGILL**

Bryant and Pattengill are paired elementary schools in two neighborhoods south of Washtenaw Ave., with Bryant providing K-2 and Pattengill grades 3-5. Bryant's immediate neighborhood offers some of the city's least expensive housing, with small ranch homes and multifamily complexes. Homes are bigger and more expensive near Pattengill, where kids go for grades 3 to 5. The schools have quite different histories, reflected by their namesakes; Bryant opened in 1973 and honors longtime AAPS custodian Clifford Bryant, whereas Pattengill opened in 1957 and is named for a former high school principal who died in 1908.

The neighborhoods off Packard include streets of modest and some larger homes, plus apartment and condo complexes, including the affordable Pattengill Condos and the 249 luxury apartments in the George. The area surrounding Pattengill, once prime farmland, was built up after World War II. Kimberly Hills, south of Independence, has newer and bigger homes, some on dirt roads that date to its past as a township "island." Southwest of Packard, moderately priced houses built in the 1940s and 1950s are mixed with apartments.

The subdivisions near and south of Eisenhower are slightly more affluent. Tri-levels, ranches,



colonials, and Cape Cods sit along winding streets. Georgetown, west of Stone School Rd., has a semi-private golf course, private pool, and tennis courts.

South of the interchange of Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and I-94 in Pittsfield Township, newer single-family houses line a maze of twisting streets behind the Oak Valley and Waters Place shopping centers. Subs here include Briar Hill, Lake Forest, Lake Forest Highlands, the Pines at Lake Forest, and the Villas at Bella Vista. and there are condos within the Estates at Bella

South of Ellsworth are the winding roads of the huge Stonebridge golf course subdivision and nearby smaller subs, with stately executive homes and detached condominiums in a large area that's divided between the Ann Arbor and Saline school districts.

Multifamily housing is also abundant. Small apartment buildings line Packard and E. Stadium. Midsize complexes along Packard include Mulberry Row (120 units), Pine Valley (164 units), Homestead Commons (112 units), and the upscale 134-unit Ponds at Georgetown. Spruce Knob, just to the south off Stone School Rd., adds 168 units. Woodbury Gardens, off Stadium at South Industrial, is one of the city's biggest rental complexes, with 538 units; Arbor Village, behind St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, has 237. Smaller but closer to campus and downtown, 2111 Packard will add seventytwo units on a site that was once a Kroger supermarket. Yet more apartments are available at the five complexes in the Briarwood Mall area—the Emerson and Briar Cove south of Eisenhower, ReNew, Hidden Valley Club, and the Villas at Main Street to the north

Condos and co-ops include the 306 affordable townhouses of Forest Hills Cooperative on Ellsworth, the 76-unit Cloverly Village at Ellsworth and Stone School Rd., the 116-unit Georgetown Commons, and a trio of complexes off Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. south of I-94: Heatherwood with 188 2- and 3-bedroom ranches; and Oak Meadows and Weatherstone, each with more than 300 mid-priced units.

Bryant-Pattengill grads go to Tappan Middle School and then Pioneer High.

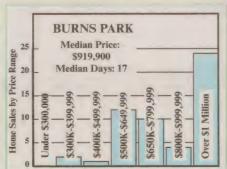
Bike lanes: Packard, E. Stadium, South Industrial, S. State, E. Eisenhower, and Stone School Rd. have bike lanes; Jewett Ave. is bikefriendly from South Industrial to Packard, as is Page Ave. and Esch Ave. from Jewett to King George Blvd. King George connects E. Eisenhower to Packard.

Walking: Bryant School has a Walk Score of 21 and Pattengill School has a Walk Score of 37. Homes in the southwestern part of the district are close to shopping on Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and Eisenhower, but for the most part, this area features residential subdivisions far from retail. This may change as parts of the Briarwood Mall property are reconceived as residential

### **BURNS PARK**

Blocks of tree-canopied streets and well-tended classic old homes set around a historic park and school—as well as its location near both U-M's campus and downtown-make Burns Park one of the city's most desirable neighborhoods.

Northeast of the namesake park, the shady streets climb the gentle slopes of the area known as Ives Woods, which has one of the highest median household incomes in Ann Ar-



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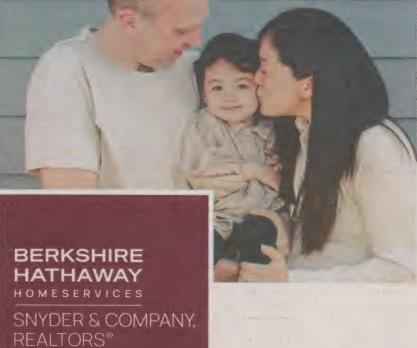
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# Neighborhoods



# My Neighborhood: **Burns Park**

Keeping in touch with the "Morton Moms."

s one of the "Morton Moms," Erika Boehnke can count on getting at least ten texts a day—and she wouldn't have it any other way. The Morton Moms, eight women who all live within a block on Morton Ave. in Burns Park, depend on each other to help out when life happens

One of the Moms may need help moving a heavy dresser, want to borrow some jelly jar glasses, or give away a plant. Another Mom may ask for a few minutes of child care or an extra avocado. "Have you seen the kids?," a Mom might ask, and another will answer, "Yes, just spotted them."

"[Burns Park is] a community where we reach out to each other," Erika says. She treasures these connections; they're a huge part of why she feels so fortunate to live in the neighborhood.

She and her husband Chris have shared their Morton Ave. home for twenty-one years, but Chris's connection to the house goes back a bit further—it was built in 1930 by his grandfather, and his dad grew up there.

Erika also has deep Burns Park roots. Her parents moved to Ann Arbor in 1973. Her dad, U-M kinesiology professor emeritus Victor Katch, was also the first coach of the women's basketball team. The family originally lived on the Old West Side, but after Erika's parents divorced. Vic bought a house on Lincoln in Burns Park. Erika divided her time between her parents' homes, and fondly remembers summers when she and her sister would hang out at the park that gives the neighborhood its name. One of their favorite spots was a big water fountain with a play structure underneath.

"We would play all day in the water or make lanyards at the park summer camp," she recalls. "No one ever told us it was time to go home.'

Erika and Chris knew each other at Pioneer High but only became a couple later. They went to different colleges, and Erika lived in California for a few years. She was home visiting her parents when they bumped into each other at Top of the Park. Before long, she moved back and they started their married life together in Burns Park.

Erika Boehnke (center, holding Peanut) with Ella, Ryan, and Cameron at their home on Morton, which has been in her husband Chris's family since his grandfather built it in 1930. The kids all walked to Burns Park elementary school.

All three of their children-Ryan, Cameron, and Ella, now sixteen, fifteen and twelve-were able to walk to Burns Park elementary school. Erika was room parent for each of them and later worked there as a substitute teacher. They could see their grandfather Vic's house from school, and he often came over to wait with the parents for after-school pickup. He also coached one of their basketball teams for five years.

"There's nothing like having a former U-M coach for an elementary school team!" Erika laughs.

There's a culture of sharing among Burns Park families: one has a trampoline, another a play structure, and the Boehnkes have extra bikes, perfect for riding downtown to meet friends or cruising the wide neighborhood streets. For about five summers the Boehnkes had a movie club. The Morton Moms pitched in to buy a giant blow-up screen and speakers so the neighborhood could gather to watch in their backyard.

When the air gets crisp and the leaves start to turn, Halloween is a highlight in Burns Park. Granger St. is completely shut to traffic so trick-or-treaters can roam free, and neighbors are extravagant with decorations-from giant pumpkins to talking ghouls to a haunted house. Now that they're older, Ryan, Cameron and Ella love to "work" in the haunted house (i.e. jump out and scare people).

Of course, there's plenty for adults to enjoy about Burns Park. Erika and Chris appreciate the ease of walking downtown to meet friends for dinner or brunch. If it gets late, they rent Spin scooters for the return trip

But most important to Erika is her beloved Morton Moms group. Besides their daily texts, they make a point of meeting up every two weeks, just to be together. Erika hopes to keep adding moms to their supportive group. When someone new moves in, she and others welcome them, bringing a contact list of the neighbors.

"We love making people feel included," she says. "Wouldn't it be nice to move into a neighborhood where everyone is excited you moved in and wants to welcome you?"

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bor. Even higher in income is the area north of Washtenaw Ave., where eclectic homes on large, wooded lots dot the streets stretching east toward Huron Pkwy.

Burns Park includes the South University business district, home to the eighteenstory, 240-unit University Towers apartments ugly to some, but home to Madonna back in the mid-1970s during her brief undergraduate stint. Starting in the mid-2000s, developers began creating new luxury student high-rises, including the ten-story Z Place on East University, the fourteen-story Landmark kitty-corner from U Towers, and the thirteen-story Sterling Arbor Blu, which rises above the Pizza House restaurant. The twelve-story Vic Village North and the fourteen-story Six11 were built most recently. Construction on thirteen-story Vic Village South, which began in early 2022, is expected to reach completion in time for the fall 2024 semester.

Near Packard and Hill, older houses occupied by longtime residents mingle with large fraternity, sorority, and cooperative houses and student apartment buildings. More student rentals are sprinkled around Lower Burns Park (affectionately "LoBuPa") south and west of Packard; nonstudents predominate in the 262-unit Ann Arbor Woods apartments on Medford.

This area is walking distance to Michigan Stadium, so many homeowners in the vicinity make good money offering parking in their driveways and yards during football season.

Students also are bused to Burns Park from Arbor Pointe, with 280 apartments across from Washtenaw Community College, and the huge Glencoe Hills complex, whose 584 units extend from Washtenaw Ave. to Clark east of US-23. Almost all of those kids go on to Scarlett and then to Huron

Students from the immediate Burns Park area go to Tappan Middle School and then either Huron High or Pioneer High.

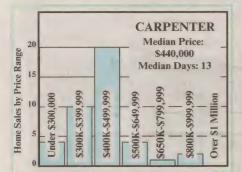
Bike lanes: Packard and Stadium (from Packard to Washtenaw Ave.) have marked bike lanes, as does State St. south of Packard and Hill St. from Church St. to Washtenaw and Huron Pkwy. from Gallup Park to Washtenaw Ave. Huron River Dr. has a sidewalk path. Many streets in the immediate school area, including Granger Ave., S. Forest, and Brockman are designated as bike-friendly.

Walking: Burns Park School has a Walk Score of 63. Part of the appeal of historic Burns Park lies in its proximity to the U-M-it's a hike in winter, but walkable from most places. The eastern part of the district is within walking distance of retail on Washtenaw Ave. or Stadium.

# CARPENTER

Carpenter Elementary serves four noncontiguous areas including two northeast Pittsfield Twp. sections, all of which are long popular for affordable homes and semi-rural settings

The small frame and ranch houses in the original Carpenter School neighborhood immediately to the east of US-23 and south of Washtenaw Ave, were built in the decade after World War II. Several generations live on these quiet, flat streets, laid out in a grid between Packard and Washtenaw Ave. Stretches of condos, townhouses, and single-family homes spread along Packard and in the Arbor Woods subdivision.



An older neighborhood of small houses lies west of Golfside

Children along Christina and adjoining streets north of Morgan are bused to Carpenter. So are those in an area between Crane and Golfside along and south of Textile, in the far southeast corner of the school district. South of Ellsworth and west of US-23, where the Carpenter area stretches south of Michigan Ave., subdivisions alternate with individual homes among acres of surviving farmland. The Estates at Pittsfield Glen, with entrances on Platt and Textile, offer newer, single-family homes. Wellesley Gardens, on Michigan Ave. just west of US-23, has 426 condos, lofts, and townhouses: the Arbor Knoll apartments are next door. To the west, on Stone School Rd. south of Ellsworth, are the 200 "upper and lower ranches" of the Woodside Meadows condominium complex.

Carpenter grads go to Scarlett Middle School and then Huron High.

Bike lanes: Packard has an east-west bike lane running from Ann Arbor to Ypsilanti. E. Huron River Dr. and a portion of Hogback have bike lanes, and E. Ellsworth has dedicated bike lanes from Stone School Rd. to Platt. Michigan Ave. from Warner to Platt has a bike-friendly designation, as does Platt from Michigan Ave. to Rolling Meadow Ln.

Walking: Carpenter Elementary's Walk Score is 60. The southwestern parts of the neighborhood are within walking distance of shopping at Carpenter and Packard.

### DICKEN

Dicken is a west-side neighborhood with shady streets and classic suburban-style one- and two-story homes. It includes Dicken Woods, a nature area behind the elementary school that was saved from development by neighbors and is now the site of school and community nature programs.

Small parks are sprinkled throughout the area. Mushroom Park is known for its comical ceramic fungi; Las Vegas Park has a soccer field and playground; and Greenview Park, on the west side of Seventh St., provides a natural retreat for dog walkers and picnickers.

On former croplands southwest of I-94 and north of Scio Church Rd., the Ravines and Meadowinds subdivisions went up at the turn of the millennium; they have amenities like tennis courts and playgrounds. Off Scio Church Rd. near Maple, the seventy-six-unit luxury Kensington Woods condominium community forms sweeping circle. West of Upland Dr., the 1990s-era Uplands offer slightly larger brick and wood residences, often with decks.

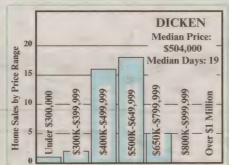
Closer to the school are Surrey Park, with 176 ranch-style prefab units, and the older, 312-unit

Homeowners in the area directly west of Pioneer High often rent out their driveways or yards to U-M football fans on game days.

Dicken grads go on to Slauson Middle School and then Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: Neighborhood arteries including W. Stadium, Scio Church Rd., and W. Liberty all have marked bike lanes. Pauline and S. Seventh have buffered bike lanes. Also, a bike-friendly route runs between Pauline and Scio Church Rd. via Runnymede Blvd. and Covington Dr.

Walking: Dicken School's Walk Score is 34. Homes north of the school, as well as the Surrey Park, Park Place, Summit View, Walden



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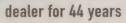
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Hills, and Walden Village complexes are close to shopping centers, restaurants, gas stations, and the many stores along Maple and Stadium.

## **EBERWHITE**

Located on the former property of Eber White, an early settler who helped fugitive enslaved people escape to Canada, this neighborhood has a mix of homes of different eras, all within a few blocks of Eberwhite Woods, one of the city's most beautiful, secluded natural areas.

The school and its grounds were carved out of the southeast corner of the oak-hickory woods in 1950, adjoining a neighborhood of broad, hilly, tree-lined streets and predominantly two-story homes built in the 1920s and 1930s. In the 1960s, subdivisions wrapped around the south and west edges, but the woods have remained safe from development, nurtured by the Eberwhite PTO. They have walking trails, a profusion of spring wildflowers, and three ponds, one of which lies in a natural amphitheater and is the site of cacophonous early-spring concerts by frenzied spring peepers.

North of Liberty, the Virginia Park area has many two-family duplexes and Cape Cods. Behind the strip of commercial businesses and fast-food joints along Stadium is a mixed neighborhood of small homes and apartments. South of Pauline, 1950s- and 1960s-era neighborhoods stretch toward Stadium. The only ma-

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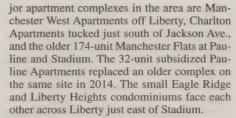
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Eberwhite grads go to Slauson Middle School and then most go to Pioneer High, both within walking distance. Some in the northern area of the zoning district attend Skyline High.

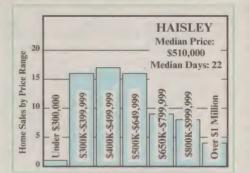
**Bike lanes:** Pauline and S. Seventh have buffered bike lanes. Liberty and W. Stadium have marked bike lanes, as does Jackson Ave. west of Virginia Ave. W. Washington St. from S. Revena through downtown is bicycle-friendly.

**Walking:** Eberwhite School's Walk Score is 63. Most of this neighborhood is a long walk from retail, but western areas are close to shopping on Stadium.

# HAISLEY

The area around Haisley Elementary is a close-knit neighborhood of ranches and 1½-story Cape Cods where parents push tots in strollers to nearby Wellington Park and seniors chat with neighbors on front lawns. But the zoning area has a noncontiguous section that sprawls west of Wagner and includes newer subdivisions between Liberty and I-94 in Scio Twp.

Not far from the school, Miller Nature Area is a hidden pocket of woods. During the summer



months, neighbors gather at Veterans Memorial Park Pool on Jackson Ave. near Maple. At the park, the evenings come alive with the crack of bats and the sound of wild cheering as ball teams compete. All ages of rollerblading and skateboarding enthusiasts enjoy the 30,000-square-foot, world-class Ann Arbor Skatepark that is free for the public to use at the northwest corner of the park. In the winter, children sled down the steep hills behind the indoor skating rink.

Outside the beltway in Scio Twp., kids are bused in from developments along Jackson Rd. West of Zeeb is the upscale Trailwoods subdivision off Staebler, with one- and two-story homes and a ten-acre park. Big-box stores, light industry, and restaurants pack the corridor, providing a commercial node for the condos and subdivisions, in line with the township's plan to concentrate development there and try to preserve rural character elsewhere.

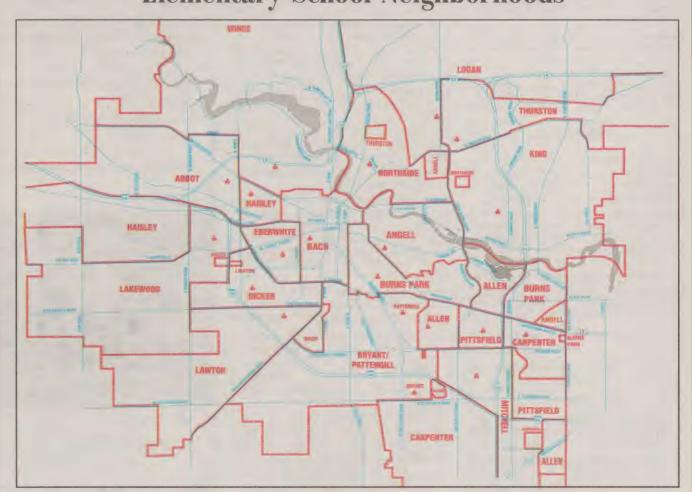
Arbor Chase, a ninety-six-unit condominium development, and the 171-home Arbor Pointe subdivision sit back from Zeeb behind the Meijer on Jackson Rd. Off of Liberty, new homesites are available in Scioview and related Traditions of Scio, as well as in the Gallery of Scio. The Polo Fields, off Zeeb north of Liberty, boasts imposing homes clustering around a golf course and country club. Beyond, Scio's dirt roads are dotted with individual country houses, large and small.

Apartments on Zeeb include the Cambridge Club, with 108 one- and two-bedroom units, and the 106-unit Scio Village, which has its own nature preserve; the 144-unit Lakestone is hidden away off Parkland behind the Jackson Rd. business strip. Haisley also serves three cohousing complexes south of Jackson Rd., and part of the huge Scio Farms manufactured housing community.

Haisley grads in the older neighborhood closest to the school go to Forsythe or Slauson middle schools, whereas the western portions of the zoning area go to Forsythe. All feed into Skyline High.

**Bike lanes:** The portions of the neighborhood within the city of Ann Arbor are served by bike lanes on Dexter Rd. and Jackson Rd. Bike lanes run along Miller all the way to central Ann Ar-

# **Elementary School Neighborhoods**





# **Marta Dabis**

# Zen and the art of cohousing

hen Marta Dabis first visited Great Oak Cohousing, she says, "I immediately knew that I had arrived home." A Hungarian native and Zen Buddhist priest, Dabis says her neighborhood, where she's lived since 2017, "feels like Europe inside," with its colorful buildings clustered close together, community gardens, walking paths, and residents who know each other by name.

As Dabis sits under a pergola on a Sunday afternoon, surrounded by lush native plants and birdsong, neighbors stop to say hello. Later, many will meet in the common house for this evening's optional community meal of grilled chicken and couscous salad, prepared by fellow residents. Cohousing is a place where "community matters," Dabis says, and activities like movie and board game nights, tie-dye parties, bonfires, and outdoor games create lifelong friendships.

"When you are a child here growing up you think, 'This is the world: lots of friendly faces,'" says Dabis, fifty-two. "Everyone is looking out for you and you can roam around free."

Great Oak, built in 2001, is one of three cohousing communities with condo-like units nestled along Little Lake Dr. off Jackson Rd. The original, Sunward, opened in 1998, and the latest, Touchstone, in 2005. All combine private home ownership with shared resources, a concept that originated in Denmark in the 1960s.

Zen and cohousing are "a very good match," Dabis says. "Cohousing is very community oriented, and Zen as we practice it is very community oriented. With Zen practice we emphasize there is meditation in activity." Whether she's cooking dinner for the community or washing windows at the common

Zen priest and Great Oak cohousing resident Marta Dabis with board member Greg Wilson. She calls the community in the Haisley elementary district "a piece of nirvana."

house for a semiannual work day, it's about "how you take what you learn on the [meditation] cushion into your everyday life."

Dabis, who's married to Oakland University math professor Laszlo Liptak, has an MBA and a long career as a management consultant. In 2007, she says she'd "basically climbed up the [career] mountain, and I realized when I looked around that I'm not going to be happy." A short visit to Tassajara Zen Mountain Center in California led to yearslong study to become a priest and hospital chaplain. She worked at Yale New Haven Hospital and Trinity Health in Ann Arbor before she founded JissoJi Zen Ann Arbor in 2016.

Every Sunday, JissoJi hosts "open door" in-person and Zoom meditation at the Center for Sacred Living nearby on Little Lake Dr. Afterward, members often visit favorite hangouts Dozer, Base Camp, Panda House, or 19 Drips Coffee and Tea. JissoJi members also host retreats and guest speakers at the Great Oak common house. Residents "love us because we are quiet," Dabis laughs, and "we do some community work—some labor."

The residents have also shown up to help Dabis. When she was recuperating from spinal fusion surgery a few years ago, her cohousing neighbors delivered meals, laundered her clothes, and kept vigil at her bedside. Even her neighbor's cat, Kit Kat, found her way into Dabis's house to offer emotional support. The experiences underscored her decision to live in cohousing "the rest of my life!"

"In a big and very isolated and very individualistic country," she says, "it is a piece of nirvana."

—Shelley Daily

bor, on N. Maple, and along the segment of Wagner Rd. from Jackson Rd. to Liberty.

Walking: Haisley Elementary's Walk Score is 60. The suburban sections of this neighborhood, clustered around Jackson Rd. and Zeeb shopping, are actually more walkable than the older parts in the city.

# KING

Nestled in an upscale, woodsy 1960s subdivision on the northeast side, Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary draws students from both sides of US-23 and boasts families from more than twen-

ty countries and who speak more than thirty-five languages.

The winding streets north of Glazier offer colonial, ranch, and tri-level homes. Young families, retirees, and single people live in King's mature subdivisions and apartment buildings. On the hilly terrain south of Glazier are contemporary custom-built homes on big lots in natural settings, with neatly landscaped townhouses and condominiums along Huron Pkwy.

East of US-23 is a growing area of lowdensity development with prime freeway access and office parks. Off Dixboro Rd. are Radrick Meadows and Fleming Creek, both with large single-family homes. Slightly farther east





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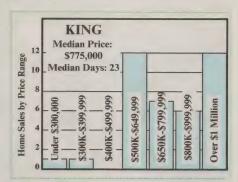








# **Neighborhoods**



is Concord Pines off Geddes, with recently built one- and two-story luxury homes, and the retreat-like Matthaei Farm community off Gale, with expensive custom-built homes. The Woodlands of Geddes Glen luxury subdivision sits just north of Geddes. To the south, private drives wind away to carefully isolated riverfront mansions, as well as the elegant Towsley Farms development.

The 501-unit GreenBrier and 216-unit Traver Court apartment complexes are within walking distance of King. Other students are bused from Arrowwood Hills Cooperative (350 town house units) and the 520-unit Haven of Ann Arbor on Dixboro Rd.

Major condominiums and co-ops include the 174-unit Earhart Village, the 103-unit Laurel Gardens along Dixboro Rd., and the 360-unit Geddes Lake on Huron Pkwy.

The zoning area for King encompasses the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, which in turn boasts the superb Gaffield Children's Garden where kids can build forts with huge tree limbs or get filthy making mud pies.

King grads go to Clague Middle School and then Huron High.

**Bike lanes:** Plymouth Rd., Green, and part of Glazier have bike lanes, and Huron Pkwy. has a well-used sidewalk path. Along US-23 the situation is not quite as good, with Earhart designated a "neighborhood connector," with signs that guide cyclists through the neighborhood streets. Geddes east of Huron Pkwy. is dangerous for both cyclists and pedestrians.

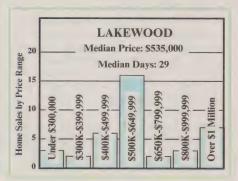
**Walking:** King School has a Walk Score of 9, and in general, except for those living close to Plymouth Rd. and Green, residents of this area drive or bike for shopping.

# **LAKEWOOD**

Nature's sounds still win out over the roar of nearby Jackson Ave. and I-94 in much of west-side Lakewood. Named for its First Sister and Second Sister lakes and woods around Dolph Park, this neighborhood includes a mix of housing styles.

South of the school, off Liberty, the Burr Oak subdivision dates from the 1980s. The Lakewood area stretches far west into southern Scio Twp. and northern Lodi Twp., where scattered big houses on park-size lawns intermix with farms with rustic barns on stone foundations, split-rail or white picket fences, and horse pastures and stables.

Expensive homes can be found in Pheasant Hollow on Scio Church east of Zeeb and across the street on Encore. To the west are Riding Oaks Estates, and Sandy Creek, with three-to





# **Anne Martin**

# The best of both worlds

he third time's the charm? Anne Martin's home-buying charm was the fourth. After buying high and selling low on three homes over the years, Martin was resigned to renting. She had her eye on a two-bedroom Cape Cod with a basement, a fenced backyard for her dogs-Sadie is a pit bull mix, and Nino is a French Bulldogand an upstairs level for a play space for her grandchildren. Then, while she was vacationing in Costa Rica, the home's owner decided

Martin immediately made an offer. She credits "divine order" for getting her home at the end of a cul-de-sac in a neighborhood with dirt roads, towering trees, and a walking path around Dolph Park's lakes. "I have the best of both worlds," she says. "It feels like I'm in the country, but I'm close to downtown and the Old West Side."

Her daughter and young grandchildren live within walking distance. Her son and older grandchildren are in Ypsi. One grandson walks her dogs three times a week.

She estimates the improvements she's added over the last ten years-royal blue siding, a bright orange door, new windows, pool, and deck—have increased her home's value by \$70,000.

Martin with Sadie and Nino. She liked the small rental house in the Lakewood district so much that when the owner decided to sell, she bought it herself.

She loves her kind, generous, and reliable neighbors, especially the retired couple across the street who have been there for more than forty years. "They know I work long hours and frequently take my trash cans out for me and put them back. They lend me their power tools and equipment and cut my lawn with their riding mower when I can't. I find bags of fresh fruit and other treats from them at my door.'

Heaven has its flaws. Her neighborhood has little traffic but endures the hum of cars from nearby Jackson Rd. The dirt roads make it hard to keep cars clean, but Martin has heard that paved roads would generate more stormwater runoff and higher bills. And the neighborhood was ground zero for Gelman Science's 1,4dioxane plume, which contaminated residents' wells. Though annexation into Ann Arbor in 1986 brought the boon of city water, residents with long memories still use

None of this lessens Martin's resolve to stay in the home and neighborhood she adores. Pointing out all the qualities that render it ideal as she ages, she says,"This is my retirement home.'

—Anita LeBlanc

six-acre home sites and equestrian trails. Houses in a cluster on Tessmer off Waters are separated by wildflowers.

There are a number of neighborhoods in the Lakewood area's northwest corner, all within a short walking distance to shops on Zeeb and a slightly longer walk to shops on Jackson Ave. Parkwood, Scio Village, and Country French Estates offer condos, all built this century, while Cambridge Club has apartments. South along Zeeb, the few houses have stately trees and huge yards with swing sets, decks, and patios. In Saginaw Hills Estates off Liberty, modern brick and stone homes and decks rise above impressively large landscaped lawns.

Condominiums are concentrated around Liberty near Scio Ridge Rd. On the north side of the road, the 1980s-vintage Liberty Pointe and Liberty Oaks offer sixty-five detached ranches and 114 townhouses, respectively. Across the street is the 130-unit Summerfield Glen; Walnut Glen and Walnut View off Scio Ridge Rd. add another 152 condos between them. Affordable housing is provided by the 290-lot Orchard Grove manufactured home community on Wagner.

Among the more unusual but popular attractions in the area is the 2142 Community Center, a massive, free indoor playground and café open to the public and provided by a nondenominational megachurch.

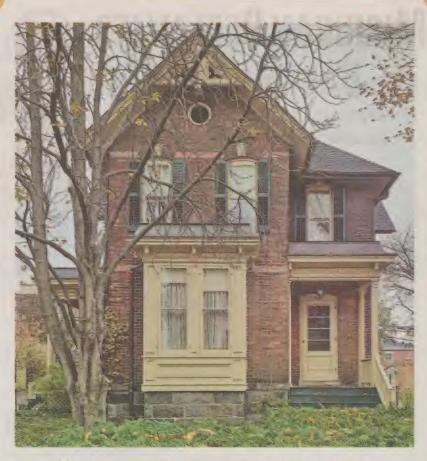
Lakewood grads north of Liberty go to Forsythe Middle School and then Skyline High; those south of Liberty go to Slauson Middle School and then Pioneer High.

**Bike lanes:** Dexter Rd., W. Liberty, S. Maple, W. Stadium, and parts of Jackson Ave. and Wagner have bike lanes

Walking: Lakewood Elementary, buried at the back of the subdivision, has a walk score of 46, but many homes in the original Lakewood area are within walking distance of shopping at Jackson Ave. and Maple. Scio Twp. subdivisions are likely to require driving.

# LAWTON

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# **Neighborhoods**

ton Elementary feel more like a suburb than a city. The Lawton area includes established neighborhoods inside the freeway ring, newer ones to the southwest in Pittsfield Twp., and a section of rural Lodi Twp. to the west.

Around the school itself, south of Scio Church Rd., there are a variety of split-levels and colonials. Farther south, the simple two-story homes on Northbrook Dr. date from the 1980s, as do the 217-unit Meadowbrook Village apartments off Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. just north of I-94.

Across I-94 in Pittsfield Twp., the 1990s-era Arbor Creek and Boulder Ridge subdivisions line the west side of the freeway, tucked behind Oak Valley Center. Arbor Creek provides large two-story cul-de-sac homes with tidy lawns. The colonial-style Boulder Ridge has a playground park, and the two subdivisions share a common area with a walking path. The 192unit Centerra Pointe town house apartments sit tightly clustered on eighteen acres along Oak Valley, across from Boulder Ridge and Arbor Creek. Uptown Ann Arbor's lofts and townhomes at Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and Oak Valley offer a more urban feel, with some lofts perched above retail space. The Townes on the Green, a complex of sixty-four luxury town homes starting at \$459,000, are now available for purchase on Waters Rd. west of Oak Valley.

South of Waters is the Hawthorne Ridge subdivision, whose two-story homes boast big garages and vaulted brick entrances. Beyond Lake Forest Golf Club lie small brick ranches, two-story houses, and open fields; homes are set far back down long driveways.

Farther west, Lodi Twp. has active farms, including a few horse farms. Along Wagner are older country homes with vegetable gardens and big yards with lots of trees, and sometimes a tractor or dilapidated barn.

Students are bused to Lawton from the Pinelake Village Cooperative, a 1960s-vintage federal project on S. Maple with 129 townhouses.

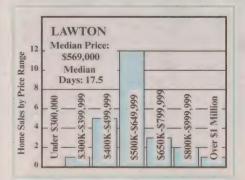
Lawton grads go to Slauson Middle School and then Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: Scio Church Rd. has a marked bike lane, S. Main has a protected cycle lane, and S. Seventh has a buffered cycle lane. Ann Arbor-Saline Rd., W. Oakbrook, and Eisenhower have off-street paths. Several smaller roads are designated as "neighborhood connectors," with signs to guide cyclists through the neighborhood.

Walking: Lawton School has a Walk Score of 28. This is another area in which suburban sections are actually more walkable than those in the city: Many subdivisions near Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and Oak Valley are close to Meijer and other stores and restaurants south of I-94.

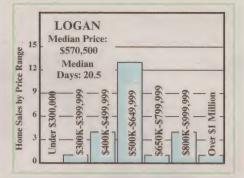
## **LOGAN**

Tree-lined Traver Blvd., on the city's northeast side, is home to Logan Elementary, with con-



dos and apartments across from the school and quiet streets of well-kept colonials leading to the aptly named Placid Way Park behind the

This is one of the largest elementary school areas in the district, stretching out from the city into portions of Ann Arbor, Northfield, Salem, and Superior townships. Many people have



settled on this side of town for its convenient access to metropolitan Detroit.

Subdivisions are located off Dhu Varren, including the 1990s vintage Foxfire and Dhu Varren on the Park. North Oaks' 472 luxury townhomes and "villas"—clusters of attached condos—are taking on residents both north and south of Dhu Varren. Amenities at the 282-unit Owl Creek apartments, on Nixon at M-14, include a shuttle bus to northside destinations.

Plymouth Road Plaza and Traver Village offer stores and restaurants. Logan School itself is surrounded by modest single-family homes and the 210-unit Traver Ridge apartment complex.

The Logan area stretches north of US-23 and M-14. Beyond the reach of public sewer and water, homes here are on large lots of two acres or more. The area on and around Warren Rd. offers modest homes with lots of acreage on dirt roads. In the Pinebrook Estates subdivision off Gleaner Hall, north of Pontiac Tr., homes cluster on one-acre lots around a twenty-two-acre common area that includes several ponds. Near the US-23 interchange with M-14 sits Cornwell Farms, a luxury subdivision of twenty-seven homes, almost all of which have sold at an average of \$980,000. The Northbrooke Estates sub offers large homes (3,800 square feet and up) off Nixon, and the 100-home Tanglewood community, south of M-14 and east of Dixboro Rd., features multistory contemporary homes on large lots.

Logan serves some students from the Arrowwood Hills Cooperative, as well as families in the 475-unit Willowtree complex across from North Campus. Off Huron Pkwy. are the Traver Heights apartments and Parkway Meadows, whose 212 units are targeted toward lowincome residents and seniors

Logan grads go to Clague Middle School. Those living east of Nixon go to Huron High; the rest attend Skyline High.

Bike lanes: City portions of this area are well-supplied with bike infrastructure leading to the U-M's North Campus, with marked bike lanes on Nixon and Dhu Varren and a buffered and protected bike lane on Plymouth Rd.

Walking: Logan School's Walk Score is 11, and except near Plymouth Rd., most areas here are car dependent.

# MITCHELL

The paired Mitchell Elementary and Scarlett Middle schools adjoin the 427 affordable townhouses of the Colonial Square Cooperative and nearby modestly priced ranches and colonials on Platt. The schools' extensive playfields and the neighboring Scarlett-Mitchell Nature Area, with its branching trails and pond, are a magnet for residents of the southeast side neighborhood.



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# Neighborhoods



# **Kimberly Baker** Crouch and **Brianna Murphy**

A new start on the northeast side

arlier this year, Kimberly Baker Crouch's family sold the house on N. Fourth Ave. that five generations of Bakers had called home, and she and her niece Brianna Murphy moved to an apartment on Ann Arbor's northeast side.

"It's amazing how a house can become part of you," Kimberly says of the move as she sits with Brianna in their new living room surrounded by family photos. The transition was emotional but the pair have found a "peaceful and quiet" oasis at Parkway Mead-

ows apartments, Kimberly says.

Just down Nixon Rd. from Logan Elementary and Clague Middle School, and across the way from Thurston Elementary, Parkway Meadows offers subsidized apartments for low-income residents, is on the AAATA bus line, and is a short walk to Plymouth Rd. shops and restaurants. Kimberly, sixty-five, is a retired nurse's assistant on a fixed income, and says affordability was a key concern. Brianna, twenty, takes the bus to her job downtown, and likes that Domino's, Jimmy John's, and Kroger are nearby. The duo also visit Yoon's Bakery, with pastries "to die for," Kimberly says, as well as

Brianna Murphy and her aunt, Kimberly Baker Crouch, left a historically Black neighborhood downtown for Parkway Meadows in the Logan

Carpenter Bros. Hardware, a family-run store where they bought tomato and pepper plants for their patio.

"People are out here walking and exercising every day," Kimberly says of the apartment grounds. "There was a guy with his walker in one hand and doing Tai Chi with the other. ... It's very inspiring." She also appreciates the diversity-U-M's north campus draws international residents. "I call it the United Nations out here," Kimberly

Even though they've adjusted well to the move, their old neighborhood is never far from their thoughts. The Baker family's former home, a Greek Revival house dating to the mid 1800s, is in a histori-

cally Black neighborhood north of downtown that was racially segregated until the 1960s. Today, Kimberly says, only three of the original Black families remain.

Kimberly's family roots run deep in Ann Arbor. Her paternal grandfather, Charlie Baker, moved to the city in 1918 and cofounded the Ann Arbor Foundry, which he ran for more than fifty years. He and his wife Ruby raised twelve kids on N. Fourth Ave., the youngest of whom was Kimberly's father, Claude Baker. After Charlie died in 1978, Claude moved with his family from Gott St. back to his childhood home to care for his mother-and stayed.

Kimberly and her twenty-four cousins celebrated birthdays and holidays there. "It was so fabulous," she says of the gatherings. "I mean, it was shoulder-to-shoulder and we didn't even care." For Brianna, who was adopted at birth by her grandparents, Claude and Eloise, it was the only home she knew. After Claude died two years ago, the family made the painful decision to sell the home that Brianna wished "could be turned into a historical museum," and Eloise moved in with Kimberly's brother in Lyndon Twp.

As they adjust to their new life together, Kimberly and Brianna take turns cooking. Both are trying to get out to walk more. like to go sit by the fountain because it's really calming," Brianna says.

Kimberly, who has a son in Chicago and lived in St. Louis for many years, says she understands why Ann Arbor tops many "Best of' lists. Despite all of the changes, she says, "I love my hometown."

-Shelley Daily

This area includes the neighborhoods straddling Platt south of Packard and winds its way as far southeast as the intersection of Carpenter

Young families find the neighborhood near the school appealing: the prices are modest for Ann Arbor, and a variety of ethnic markets are nearby. In addition to Colonial Square, there are three-bedroom ranches and a few two-story colonials on modest lots on both sides of Platt. The 210-home Turnberry subdivision on Packard just west of US-23 is slightly more expensive and caters to an older crowd. Farther south in

Pittsfield Twp. is the Willow Pond subdivision, set amid older individual homes on large lots, and Arbor Meadows, a 408-lot manufacturedhousing community. These communities have Ypsilanti mailing addresses, are administratively part of Pittsfield Twp., and are part of the Ann Arbor School District.

Mitchell grads go on to Scarlett Middle School and then Huron High.

Bike lanes: Platt has a marked bike lane between Packard and Ellsworth and an off-street path south of Ellsworth. Packard and Ellsworth have marked bike lanes. Neighborhood roads

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that are bike-friendly include Marshall St., Verle Ave., Springbrook St., Lorraine St., Fernwood Ave., Turnberry Ln., and Roon the Ben.

Walking: Mitchell School has a walk score of 28. Sections of the neighborhood are close to Packard shopping and the Kroger and Aldi on Carpenter Rd

# NORTHSIDE (A2STEAM)

An eclectic mix of homes—including some of the city's oldest—fills this neighborhood northeast of downtown. Northside Elementary was rebranded in 2014 as a K-8 magnet school, A2STEAM at Northside. A community center draws neighbors to its steps and baseball players to Northside Park's fields behind the school. Just north of the Huron River, Lower Town has some of the city's oldest surviving houses including the Guy Beckley House, built in 1842 in New England Georgian style, at the corner of Pontiac Tr. and Argo. It was once a stop on the Underground Railroad.

Rising northward from the river, the Broadway neighborhood combines rental housing with older single-family houses on large, well-kept lots on and near Cedar Bend, a street that offers spectacular views of the Huron River valley and leads down a rutted path to Cedar Bend Nature Area. Many older homes have been rehabilitated, and the area has become more popular with families who have young children. Rentals, including the vast three-building Beekman on Broadway complex, with two buildings recently opened and the final one under construction, attract U-M medical center workers.

Also under construction is Broadway Park West, a seven-acre riverfront park on the onetime site of a coal-gas plant that will include a two-acre tree-lined elliptical lawn adjacent to a 1,200-foot trail that connects via a new bridge to Washtenaw County's Border-to-Border Trail. When complete, the project will open up riverfront land that has been closed to the public since the nineteenth century.

In the established, low-key, well-integrated neighborhood off Pontiac Tr., neighbors fix their cars, children play tag in the streets, and retirees sit in rockers on the porch. Longshore is a quiet road tracing the top of the bluff above the river. A popular boardwalk along Barton provides pedestrian access to Bandemer Park and combines with a bicycle path to complete a walking and biking loop around Argo Pond. Also of note are the Argo Cascades, a series of nine small rapids, rock chutes, and pools serving as a bypass channel to connect Argo Pond to the Huron River.

Farther up Pontiac Tr., the brick Cape Cods off Brookside and Skydale in the Huron Highlands area are home to families, retirees, and singles. The North Sky subdivision features stately brick one- and two-story homes on sizable lots. On Leslie Park Cir., newer midsize homes offer easy access to its namesake park, with its golf course and nature area. With Leslie and Olson parks at Dhu Varren and Pontiac Tr., Northside offers some of the largest recreation spaces in the city.

At the edge of town, the 350 townhouses of the Arrowwood Hills Cooperative, the city's largest, rest on forty-four landscaped acres; this complex, too, offers easy access to nature areas, and a bus line is at the front entrance.

On the west side of Pontiac Tr., The One offers student houses and townhomes, and the North Sky subdivision recently opened as well.

The area south of Plymouth Rd. and west of Huron Pkwy. is dominated by the U-M's North Campus, a mixture of classroom and research buildings, residence halls, and rental apartments and town houses for students and staff. Students also are abundant in the 160-unit Parc Pointe, the eighty-four-unit Broadview, and the 130-unit Highlands apartments, on either side of Plymouth Rd. at the top of the Broadway hill. East of Broadway, the Courtyards targets its one- to four-bedroom units exclusively to students, with individual leases and amenities like free Wi-Fi and outdoor party spaces. Farther from campus, Traver Knoll's 216 units draw a more diverse population.

More apartments and condos cluster along the Huron River, including 348-unit Island Drive, 201-unit Medical Center Court, 128-unit Shoreview, and sixty-unit Riverside Park Place

Other condos include the 1960s-vintage Riverhouse, with 128 apartments off Island Dr., the sixty-two-unit Nielsen Square on Maiden Ln., and the 112-unit Northside Glen, at Pontiac Tr. and Dhu Varren, both built around the turn of the millennium, and Bristol Ridge, off Pontiac Tr. south of Dhu Varren, which is now welcoming its first occupants.

A2STEAM at Northside grads mostly go on to Clague Middle School and Skyline High, except for children who live in housing on North Campus, who are bused to Tappan and then go to Huron High

Bike paths: Areas near the U-M's North Campus are well supplied with bike lanes and paths on Barton, Pontiac Tr., Wall, Dhu Varren, and most of Nixon. Plymouth Rd. has a buffered and protected bike lane. Broadway is a "neighborhood connector," with road markings to guide bikers to their destinations.

Walking: A2STEAM at Northside has a Walk Score of 34, and walkability here depends on proximity to Plymouth Rd. shopping; student renters are better off than homeowners.

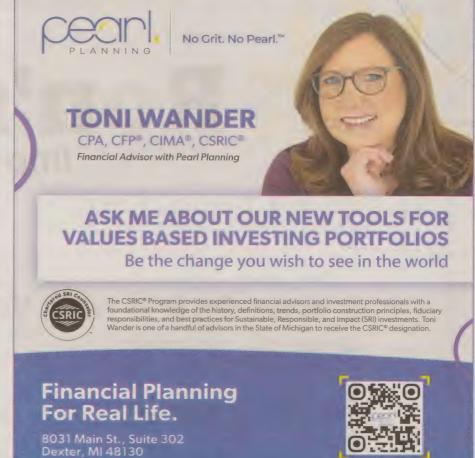
### **PITTSFIELD**

Pittsfield is unique among Ann Arbor neighborhoods in being anchored by a condo complex. Laid out in 1943, the 422-unit Pittsfield Village Condominiums feature winding streets and sweeping, park-like common yards on a total of sixty-four acres, housing a mix of seniors and families. The many children in the adjoining Forestbrooke area enjoy a neighborhood pool and swim club. Forestbrooke and nearby Darlington subdivisions, which have homes with ample yards, abut Sheffler Park and the Redbud Nature Area, as do the Arlington Place condos. The established, affordable neighborhoods that make up the Pittsfield school area are surrounded by commercial strips lined with big-box stores, fast-food chains, and a variety of inter-

national shops that serve a diverse population. Block after block of starter homes surround the school. Kids also are bused from the shady streets of the 1960s-era neighborhood off Golfside between Woodside and Ellsworth. The Silverleaf subdivision near Golfside and Ellsworth is composed mostly of two-story homes. The University Palisades subdivision off Ellsworth closer to Carpenter offers ranches, colonials, and split-colonials.

Pittsfield also draws students from the 336unit Ridgewood Apartments on Carpenter and

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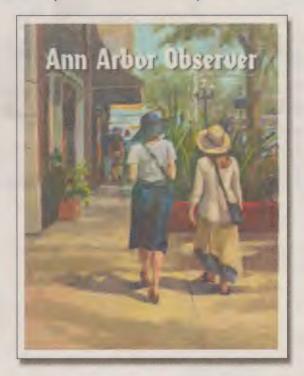


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# Neighborhoods

the adjacent 121-unit Coachville mobile home community; the boyhood home of Iggy Pop, it now has a significant immigrant presence.

Pittsfield grads go to Scarlett Middle School and then Huron High.

Bike lanes: Packard has a marked bike lane, as do parts of Platt. Washtenaw Ave. has an off-street bike path. Some smaller roads are designated "neighborhood connectors," which have signs to guide cyclists through neighborhoods and include Pittsfield Blvd. and Edgewood Dr. connecting Platt to Washtenaw. Golfside has a short dedicated bike lane from just south of Fresh Thyme Supermarket to Strawberry Hills Dr.

Walking: Pittsfield School, in the neighborhood's center, has a Walk Score of 66, and most homes must be higher, with a variety of shopping on both Washtenaw and Packard close by for most.

# **THURSTON**

Northeast-side Thurston Elementary is surrounded by a pond, a prairie, and a nature area, and its 1960s-era ranches and colonials are filled with families who walk to school and the neighborhood pool and parks via nature trails and sidewalks. Older neighborhoods comprise a well-manicured mixture of subdivisions, condominiums, townhouses, and apartment complexes.

Business professionals, U-M faculty and staff, children, and retirees all mix in this diverse area. The single-family subdivisions west of Green were first known as Ford Motor Company neighborhoods for their high commuter population to Dearborn with US-23 nearby.

Young families are very much in evidence. The neighborhoods are fairly stable, with an extremely high rate of home ownership. Many children live within walking distance of school, and shopping at Traver Village and Plymouth Road Plaza is just a stone's throw away.

The hamlet of Dixboro, along Plymouth Rd. at the northwestern edge of bucolic Superior Twp., has a small core of historic homes. The Thurston area continues deep into the township, where exclusive subdivisions are mixed in with old and new country homes on huge lots with views of the remaining farms. Some homes in the Glennborough sub off Gale have sold for more than \$1.5 million.

Some students are bused from the 350-unit Arrowwood Hills Co-op.

The Chapel Hill condos, east of Green, have high turnover, as U-M graduate students, staff, and foreign visitors come and go from 425 townhouses. The newer 291-unit Barclay Park complex is nearby, as are the Villas at Northstar, which are currently taking reservations for their two-bedroom apartments.

Thurston grads go to Clague Middle School and then Huron High.

**Bike lanes:** Marked bike lanes on Nixon and Green and a protected bike lane on Plymouth Rd. funnel residents to shopping areas and U-M facilities. Dhu Varren has a protected lane east of Nixon and a marked lane west of Nixon.

**Walking:** Thurston Elementary has a Walk Score of 61, and homes in the area, with the exception of the big new apartment and condo

complexes by M-14, are at least a brisk walk away from shopping.

### WINES

As Newport Rd. climbs north to the Wines Elementary area, just south of M-14 on the city's northwest side, broad and rambling roads offer some of the best views in the city and a wide variety of housing styles. This zoning district ranges from modest subdivisions in Ann Arbor to super-luxe Barton Hills spreads to rural residential hideaways in the townships of Ann Arbor, Scio, and Webster.

A mix of retired and young families live among lofty hills in houses from Cape Cods and colonials near Hunt Park to dramatic contemporaries on Orkney. All have easy access to both Bird Hills Nature Area and Bluffs Park. The city calls this the Sunset neighborhood, but a now-defunct neighborhood music festival popularized a new name for part of it: Water Hill.

West of Newport, young parents mix with grandparents on quiet streets of single-family ranches and Cape Cods tucked behind the sports fields of Forsythe Middle School, which shares a large, open campus with Wines.

M-14 divides the middle-class city neighborhoods to its south from some of the most exclusive terrain in the Ann Arbor area. As Newport moves north from the freeway, it passes through late-twentieth-century subdivisions filled with family-minded professionals and business executives—Walnut Ridge, Newport Hills, and Newport Creek.

Farther north, modern dream houses perch on the wooded slopes and stare out across the Huron River at the mansions of Barton Hills in a duel of extravagance. Barton Hills, one of Michigan's wealthiest communities, is legally a village, but its streets and shared facilities are owned by the homeowners' private association, which limits access to residents and their guests. Most of the village's first homes, often of English Tudor or cottage style, were constructed during the 1930s. Architect-designed mid-century modern houses followed in the 1950s and 1960s. Recently, many homes have been extensively renovated—or torn down and replaced with larger contemporary structures.

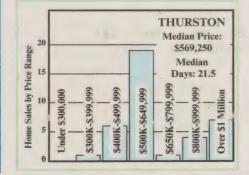
Speaking of structures, this zoning district includes Foster Bridge, which carries Maple Rd. across the river at Huron River Dr. It dates back to 1876, making it the oldest metal-truss bridge in the state. It was rehabbed in 2003, so don't worry—it's safe!

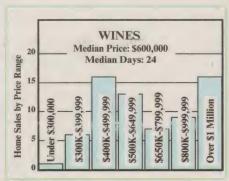
The Wines district continues west along Miller almost to Zeeb and far north into Webster Twp., where country homes sit on large lots. Multiple-family housing is represented by the Newport West Condominiums, whose 103 units are carefully designed to maximize privacy and views of neighboring Bird Hills Nature Area.

Wines grads go on to Forsythe Middle School and then Skyline High.

**Bike lanes:** Miller has a marked bike lane. N. Maple has a buffered bike lane and, north of M-14, a marked bike lane and an off-street bike path. Several smaller roads are "neighborhood connectors," which have signs to guide cyclists through neighborhoods.

**Walking:** Wines School has a Walk Score of 7 because few homes in this area are within walking distance of any kind of shopping.





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### **PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The Ann Arbor Public Schools serve approximately 17,000 students in the City of Ann Arbor and 8 surrounding townships. The AAPS is dedicated to creat ing teaching and learning environments that honor the dignity of each student while providing inclusive, engaging, challenging, and relevant instructional experiences, including Grammy award-winning music programs, nationally recognized theater guilds, International Baccalaureate, dual college enrollment, career/technical education certification programs, expansive world language options, Project Lead the Way, virtual learning options, and more.

### **Ann Arbor Public Schools** 2024-2025 Calendar

Aug. 26: First day for students (full day)

Dec. 23-Jan. 3: No school (winter break)

Jan. 6: School resumes

Mar. 24-Mar.28: No school (spring break)

Mar. 31: School resumes

June 11: Last day of school

### **Public Schools Administration**

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### **Board of Education**

Ann Arbor Public Schools Board of Education, 2555 S. State. (734) 994–2232. Elections 1st Tuesday in Nov. of even-numbered years. Terms of office run 4 years, Jan.-Dec.

Email the entire board: <u>boardofed@a2schools.org</u>; meeting calendar and general board information: boe; board meeting agendas, meetings, and board policies: a2schools.org

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### **Fundraising**

Ann Arbor PTO Thrift Shop, 2280 South Industrial. (734) 996-9155. Resells new and gently used clothing, furniture, crafts, linens, household goods, small appliances, books, jewelry, antiques, collectibles, and more from community-donated items to support student enrichment activities in the AAPS. Visit website or Facebook page for detailed information, current shopping/donating hours, or to arrange a furniture donation. a2ptothrift@gmail.com, a2ptothriftshop.org

# **Elementary Schools**

Grades K-5 unless indicated. Enrollment figures are from the Fall 2023 Student Count. For school boundaries, see the AAPS map. All K-5 and K-8 schools offer the Young Fives program, which provides students with early kindergarten birthdays (May 1–Dec. 1) a full year of preparation in early literacy, math, and social skills. For AAPS preschool programs, see listing in the Child Care & Preschool Programs section (p. 35).

**A2STEAM at Northside**, 912 Barton. (734) 994–1958. Grades K–8. 599 students. Torian Billings, principal. a2schools.org/a2steam

Abbot, 2670 Sequoia. (734) 994-1901. 288 students. Pam Sica, principal. abbot.a2s

Allen, 2560 Towner. (734) 997-1210. 402 students. Jessica Cruz, principal. allen.a2schoo

Angell, 1608 South University. (734) 994-1907. 297 students. Megan Fenech, principal. angell a Ann Arbor Open School, 920 Miller. (734) 994-1910. Grades K-8. 541 students. Krista Visser, principal. Admission by lottery. Contact school for applicaaopen@aaps.k12.mi.us, a2schools Bach, 600 W. Jefferson. (734) 994-1949. 322 stu-

dents. Colette Ivey, principal. bach.a2s **Bryant,** 2150 Santa Rosa. (734) 997–1212. Grades K–2 (students attend Pattengill for grades 3–5).

222 students. Jamar Humphrey, principal. bryant. Burns Park, 1414 Wells. (734) 994-1919. 497 students. Leslee Bullock, principal. burnspark.

Carpenter, 4250 Central. (734) 997-1214. 408 students. Michael Johnson, principal. carpenter.

Dicken, 2135 Runnymede. (734) 994-1928. 324 students. Heather Halabu, principal. dicken.

Eberwhite, 800 Soule. (734) 994-1934. 368 students. Michelle Hubbard, principal. eberwhite.

Haisley, 825 Duncan. (734) 994-1937. 389 students. Robin Kocher, principal. haisl

King, 3800 Waldenwood. (734) 994-1940. 512 students. Koren L. Clinkscale, principal. king.

Lakewood, 344 Gralake. (734) 994-1953. 266 students. Airess Stewart, principal. lakewood.

Lawton, 2250 S. Seventh. (734) 994-1946, 424 students. Rose Marie Callahan, principal. lawton.

Logan, 2685 Traver. (734) 994-1807. 374 students. William Wright, principal. logan.a2

Mitchell, 3550 Pittsview. (734) 997-1216. 395 students. Mark LaLonde, principal. International Bacca-laureate World School. mitchell.a2schools.org

Pattengill, 2100 Crestland. (734) 994-1961. Grades (students attend Bryant for grades K-2). 229 students. Taneia Giles, principal. pattengill.

Pittsfield, 2543 Pittsfield, (734) 997-1218, 230 students. Heather Hooppaw Miller, principal. pittsfield.

Thurston, 2300 Prairie. (734) 994-1970. 526 students. Cory McElmeel, principal. thurston.

Wines, 1701 Newport. (734) 994-1973. 416 students. David DeYoung, principal. wines.a2schools.org

### Middle Schools

Grades 6-8. Enrollment figures are from the Fall 2023 Student Count.

Clague, 2616 Nixon. (734) 994-1976. 661 students. Kyron Harvell, principal. class

Forsythe, 1655 Newport. (734) 994-1985. 612 students. Angela Newing, principal. forsythe.

Scarlett, 3300 Lorraine. (734) 997-1220. 629 students. Gerald Vazquez, principal. International Baccalaureate World School. scarlett.a2school:

Slauson, 1019 W. Washington. (734) 994-2004. 743 students. Brandon Szwejkowski, principal. slauson.

Tappan, 2251 E. Stadium. (734) 994-2011. 640 students. Tyese Parnell, principal. tappan.



Pioneer opened as Ann Arbor High in 1956. It split from Huron in 1969, and they've since been joined by Community, Pathways, and Skyline.

## **High Schools**

Grades 9-12 unless otherwise indicated. Enrollment figures are from the Fall 2023 Student Count.

Community, 401 N. Division. (734) 994-2025. 509 students. Marci Tuzinsky, dean. Alternative school. Small classes, community service emphasis. Admission by lottery. a2community.org

Huron, 2727 Fuller. (734) 994–2040. 1,635 students. Ché Carter, principal. International Baccalaureate World School a2h

Pathways to Success Academic Campus, 2800 Stone School Rd. (734) 997–1237. 220 students. Shaenu Micou, dean. For students needing a smaller, intimate academic environment. Multiple pathways and flexible learning opportunities, such as projectbased learning, community internships, and dual enrollment opportunities for college credit. pathways.

Pioneer, 601 W. Stadium, (734) 994-2120, 1,683 students. Desmond Smith, principal. a2p

Skyline, 2552 N. Maple. (734) 994-6515. 1,271 students. Casey Elmore, principal. a2skyline.org

### **Special Education**

Ann Arbor Public Schools Office of Special Education. (734) 994–2318. Provides services to students with disabilities, including regular class placements with special assistance. Full-day programs in specialized classrooms for students with less common disabilities—such as emotional or moderate to severe cognitive impairments—are offered at select schools. Services from birth through age 26. Help with vision and hearing impairments for all ages. ose@a2schools.

Washtenaw Intermediate School District (WISD), 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 994-8100. Naomi Norman, superintendent. Coordinates educational services for Washtenaw County's 9 public school districts and public school academies, including programs for homeless students, court-involved youths, special education, early childhood, and more. Operates early childhood and special education programs for ages birth-26 at various locations including High Point School, which serves county residents with severe disabilities.

Help Me Grow (WISD), 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 994-8186. Services for children from prenatal to kindergarten entry, especially children with developmental delays or diagnosed disability. Provides nocost preschool, developmental screenings, parent and caretaker support, home visiting programs, and more. helpmegrowwashtenaw.org

### **CHARTER SCHOOLS**

Charter schools receive public education funds but operate independently of the local school system. Enrollment figures are from the 2023–2024 school year.

Central Academy, 2459 South Industrial. (734) 822–1100. 550 students in grades preK-12. Sejad Melkic, principal. Standard public school curriculum racter education. Multicultural school; Arabic taught as a second language. cen

Honey Creek Community School, 1735 S. Wagner. (734) 994-2636. 250 students in grades K-8. Sue

Hofbauer, interim executive director; Sherry MacKay, board president. Rigorous curriculum integrates thought and experience; centers on themes, complex projects, and service learning in a multi-age setting. Summer camp programs. office@honeycreekschool.

Multicultural Academy, 5550 Platt. (734) 677-0732. Grades K-11. Mohana Mukherjee, principal. Multi-age classes. Focus on Common Core and language studies, including Arabic. Free busing available. mainfo@macademyk8.com, macademyk8.com

Washtenaw Technical Middle College, 4800 E. Huron River (Washtenaw Community College). (734) 973–3410. 800 students in grades 9–12. Karl Covert, dean. Students earn a high school diploma and an associate's degree or a technical certificate in a career area. wtmc@wccnet.edu, themiddlecollege.org

### PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Enrollment and tuition figures are from the 2023-2024 school year.

Many private schools also offer preschool programs; see listings under Child Care & Preschool Programs. Ann Arbor Academy, 1153 Oak Valley. (734) 747-6641. Grades K-13 (13th year bridge program to college or work). Meredith Schindler, director. Aims to help students with divergent learning styles thrive in an atmosphere that promotes social and academic confidence and growth. Multisensory approach to learning and student-focused curriculum. Summer program. \$24,750/year with limited scholarships available. AIMS member; ISACS accredited. office@

Ann Arbor Christian High School, 3150 Glazier Way (Grace Ann Arbor North). (734) 741–4948. Grades 9 & 10 in 2024-25 school year; will add an additional grade level with each subsequent year. Wayne Sit, head of school. Ann Arbor's first interdenominational Christian high school. Strong focus on Christian faith integration. \$11,700/year; tuition assistance available. office@annarborchristian.org,

Ann Arbor Christian School, 5500 Whitmore Lake Rd. (734) 741–4948. 237 students in grades preK-8. Wayne Sit, head of school. Interdenominational school with strong focus on Christian faith integration. PreK fees vary; \$5,559 for half-day kindergarten; \$10,360 for grades K-5; \$10,866 for grades 6-8. Sibling discounts and tuition assistance available.

Ann Arbor Hills Child Development Center, 2775 Bedford. (734) 971-3080. Programs for parents and toddlers, preschoolers, and jr. kindergarten. Ramelle Alexander & Amy Jordan, codirectors. Warm, nurturand individualized programs for over 35 years. Call for pricing. admin

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Christian Montessori School of Ann Arbor, 5225 Jackson Rd. (734) 332–9600. Grades K–3. Bev Mundy, head of school. Programs in a nondenominational Christian environment. Montessori-credentialed teachers; state of MI–licensed elementary teacher. Full-day \$1,537.92/month. Financial assistance available to qualified applicants. Apply on website. admissions@cmsaa.org, cmsaa.org

Clonlara School, 1289 Jewett. (734) 769–4511. Sofia Gallis, executive director. K–12 personalized learning approach with campus, off-campus, and hybrid options. Afternoon enrichment courses open to homeschoolers and other local area students. Campus K–8 yearly tuition \$10,300 (5 days/week) or \$7,725 (3 days/week); grades 9–12 \$12,500 (5 days/week). Off-campus K–8 yearly tuition \$1,270; grades 9–12 \$1,715. Sibling discounts. NCPSA, MSA, and Ai accredited. info@clonlara.org, clonlara-annarbor.org

Daycroft School, 1095 N. Zeeb. (734) 662–3335. Since 1960. 199 students from toddler–grade 6. David Lee, head of school. Low student-to-teacher ratios. Before- and after-school programs. Toddler tuition varies depending on number of days: \$6,010–\$13,310 half day, \$8,720–\$19,350 full day. Preschool: \$13,000 half day, \$19,000 full day. Y5/kindergarten \$3,940–\$19,700; grades 1–6 \$4,405–\$22,020. Tuition ranges based on financial need; financial aid available. 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m. ISACS and NAIS accredited. admissions@daycroft.org. daycroft.org.

Emerson School, 5425 Scio Church. (734) 665–5662. 335 students in grades Y5–8. David Feldman, head of school. Programs for bright and engaged students in STEM, world languages, art, music, physical education, and library. Average class size 15. Average teacher experience 15 years. Summer camps. Y5s \$18,832 full day; kindergarten \$21,203; grades 1–5 \$25,678; grades 6–8 \$27,748. Need-based financial aid available. admissions@emerson-school.org, emerson-school.org

Father Gabriel Richard Regional Catholic High School, 4333 Whitehall. (734) 662–0496. Grades 9–12. Christopher Dotson, principal. Academic excellence in an authentic Catholic community. Core values: Love God, love others, love learning, pursue excellence. \$13,700/year. Financial aid and merit scholarships available. fgroffice@fgrbs.org, fgrbs.org

Greenhills School, 850 Greenhills. (734) 205–4068. 700+ students in grades 6–12. Peter Fayroian, head of school. Average class size 16. Helping students become curious, creative, and responsible citizens in preparation for college and beyond. admission@greenhillsschool.org, greenhillsschool.org

Hebrew Day School of Ann Arbor, 2937 Birch Hollow. (734) 971–4633. Grades YK–5. Rabbi Will Keller, head of school. Dual curriculum structure provides excellence in general and Judaic education, along with immersion in Hebrew. Expert instruction in a pluralistic, nurturing, and welcoming environment. \$18,779 kindergarten/Y5; \$19,779 grades 1–5. Lower tuition possible; contact for details. office@hdsaa.org.hdsaa.org

Michigan Islamic Academy, 2301 Plymouth Rd. (734) 665–8882. 325 students in grades preK-12. Fayzeh Madani, principal. Montessori preschool and kindergarten. Full-time Islamic school. \$7,500

preschool; \$7,000 kindergarten; \$6,600 grades 1–8; \$6,800 grades 9–11; \$3,500 grade 12 (dual enrollment). Sibling discount. mia@mia-aa.org, mia-aa.org

Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor–Elementary & Middle School, 2775 Newport. (734) 995–4141. 265 students in grades 1–8. Immersive academics including hands-on experiences, music, languages, and fine arts. \$22,600 maximum with flexible tuition and before- & after-school care options. admissions@steinerschool.org. steinerschool.org.

Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor–High School, 2230 Pontiac Tr. (734) 669–9394. 64 students in grades 9–12. College-prep academics, immersive program including hands-on experiences, music, languages, and fine arts. \$27,510 maximum with flexible tuition options. admissions@steinerschool.org, steinerschool.org

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School, 2270 E. Stadium. (734) 821–2200. 475 students in preschoolgrade 8. Julie Fantone Pritzel, principal. \$7,250 for grades K–8 (one student). Sibling discount. <a href="mailto:school@stfrancisaa.org">school@stfrancisaa.org</a>, stfrancisa2.com/school

St. Paul Lutheran Elementary & Middle School, 495 Earhart. (734) 665–0604. 300 students in grades preK–8. Robert Burgess, principal. \$4,288/semester for St. Paul Church members, \$7,258 for community members; sibling discount, financial assistance available. admissions@stpaulannarbor.org, school. stpaulannarbor.org

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School, 540 Elizabeth. (734) 769–0911. 160 students in preschoolgrade 11. Michael Sauter, headmaster. Classical Catholic education with curriculum and pedagogy in union with formation of Catholic faith and practice. Spanish grades K–4, Latin grades 5–11. Upper and lower school choirs. Daily Mass or Adoration. See website for tuition. msauter@sta2.org, sta2.org

Spiritus Sanctus Academy, 4101 E. Joy. (734) 996–3855. 155 students in grades preK–8. Sr. Mary David, OP, principal. Roman Catholic teachings; full academic program. <a href="mailto:annarbor@spiritussanctus.org">annarbor@spiritussanctus.org</a>, spiritussanctus.org

Summers-Knoll School, 2203 Platt. (734) 971–7991. Since 1995. Y5, preschool, and grades K–8. Johnathan Letcher, head of school. Project-based, place-based, interdisciplinary learning in multi-age classrooms for bright, gifted, and collaborative children. Preschool \$16,600 (includes aftercare); Y5s/kindergarten \$19,100; grades 1–4 \$22,600; grades 5–6 \$23,100; grades 7–8 \$24,100. Summer camp. info@summers-knoll.org.

Veritas Christi Catholic High School, 640 Ridgewood. (734) 645–1643. Grades 7–12. Charles (Chip) Clearwater, principal. Online Roman Catholic high school for students with special needs. Contact for pricing, veritaschristi com

# CHILD CARE RESOURCES

Child Care Network (Great Start to Quality Southeast Resource Center), 3941 Research Park, ste. C. (734) 975–1840. Training for child care providers, child care scholarships, and assistance with child care referrals using the greatstarttoquality.org website. Mon.–Fri. 8 a.m.–4 p.m. info@childcarenetwork.org. childcarenetwork.org



# Ann Arbor Public Schools



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# Ann Arbor Public Schools 2024-2025 School Calendar

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Mon	Aug 26	First Day of School for Students - Full Day of School
Fri-Mon	Aug 30-Sep 2	No School for Students & Staff (Labor Day Holiday Break)
Tue	Sep 3	School Resumes
Tue	Sep 24	Early Release for Elem, K-8, Middle & High School Students (District PD)
Wed	Oct 2	Student Count Day
Wed	Oct 9	PSAT-NMSQT 11th Grade (Late start for 9, 10, 12)
Fri-Mon	Oct 11-14	No School for Students & Staff (Early Fall Break)
Tue	Oct 15	School Resumes
Thu	Oct 31	Early Release for Elem, K-8, Middle & High School Students (Elem/K-8 Report Writin MS/HS-IB/Vertical Alignment/Building PD)
Tue	Nov 5	No School for Students & Staff (Election Day)
Fri-Tue	Nov 22-26	Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams
Wed-Fri		No School for Students & Staff (Late Fall Break)
Mon	Dec 2	School Resumes
Wed	Dec 4	Early Release for Elem, K-8, Middle & High School Students (District PD)
Mon-Fri		No School for Students & Staff (Winter Break)
Mon	Jan 6	School Resumes
Mon	Jan 20	No School for Students & Staff (MLK Day)
Tue-Fri	Jan 21-24	Community, Huron & Pioneer Semester Exams
Wed	Jan 29	
Wed	Feb 12	Early Release for Elem, K-8, Middle & High School Students (Building PD) Student Count Day
Fri-Tue	Feb 14-18	No School for Students & Staff (Mid-Winter Break)
Wed	Feb 19	School Resumes
Tue	Mar 4	
rue	Mar 4	Early Release for Elem, K-8, Middle & High School Students (Elem/K-8 & MS - Repo Writing/Exam Grading; High School - Building PD)
Wed-Fri		Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams
	Mar 24-28	No School for Students & Staff (Spring Break)
Mon	Mar 31	School Resumes
Thu	Apr 10	PSAT 8th & 9th Grade; WorkKeys 11th Grade (Late start 6,7,10,12)
Wed	Apr 16	SAT 11th Grade; PSAT 10th Grade (Late start 9,12)
Fri	Apr 18	No School for Students & Staff
Wed	Apr 23	Early Release for Elem, K-8, Middle & High School Students (Building PD)
Tue	Apr 29	Transition Day for 8th Grade; Early Release for High School Students
Thu	May 1	Transition Day for 5th Grade; Early Release for Middle School Students
Tue	May 6	No School for Students; Staff PD (Election Day)
Thu	May 15	Early Release for Elem, K-8, Middle & High School Students (Elem/K-8 Report Writin MS/HS-IB/Vertical Alignment/Building PD)
Mon	May 26	No School for Students & Staff (Memorial Day)
Fri-Wed	Jun 6, 9-11	Community, Huron & Pioneer Semester Exams; Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams

Note: Preschools and A2Virtual follow slightly different calendar - see school websites for information

Last Day of School for All Students - Half Day

Early Release for Middle School Students (MS/HS Exam Grading/Report Writing)

DAILY SCHEDULE				EARLY RELEASE	LAST DAY	
LEVEL	DROP OFF	START	END	TIMES	START	END
Elementary K-5	8:38 AM	8:45 AM	3:48 PM	1:00 PM	8:45 AM	11:30 AM
Middle Schools	8:03 AM	8:15 AM	3:03 PM	12:15 PM	8:15 AM	10:45 AM
K-8	8:03 AM	8:15 AM	3:18 PM	12:30 PM	8:15 AM	10:50 AM
Preschool	8:15 AM	8:25 AM	3:45 PM			
High Schools				12:00 PM	8:00 AM	9:40 AM
Hur/Pio/Sky	7:53 AM	8:00 AM	2:51 PM			
Community	7:53 AM	8:00 AM	2:00 PM/ 3:40 PM	PM times vary based on student schedules		
Pathways	7:53 AM	8:00 AM	2:56 PM			

HIGH	SCHOOL COMMENCEMENTS	HIGH SCHOOL EXAM DAY SCHEDULE			
*	Community High School		Exam Day Times: 8:00 AM - 11:50 AM (unless otherwise advised)		
*	Huron High School	Oct 9	PSAT-NMSQT 11th Grade (Late start for 9, 10, 12)		
*	Pathways High School	Nov 22-26	Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams		
*	Pioneer High School	Jan 21-24	Community, Huron & Pioneer Semester Exams		
*	Skyline High School	Mar 5-7	Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams		
	*Commencement dates, times and locations		PSAT 8th & 9th Grade; WorkKeys 11th Grade (Late start 6,7,10,12)		
to be announced.		Apr 16	SAT 11th Grade; PSAT 10th Grade (Late start 9,12)		
210		Jun 6, 9-11	Community, Huron & Pioneer Semester Exams; Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams		

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#### CHILD CARE & PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Centers listed care for 13 or more children and are licensed by the Michigan Department of Human Services (MDHS). Most centers are open year-round and take applications any time, but those that run pre-schools or kindergartens often enroll for the school year. Hours are Mon.-Fri. unless otherwise specified.

Home Day Care; Ann Arbor has 30 active, registered day care family homes (for 6 or fewer children) and licensed group homes (for up to 12 children). For information, contact the Child Care Network (734) 975–1840, childcarenetwork.org, or visit greatstarttoquality.org to search a database of family and

Allergies: Many centers have food allergy programs.

#### Key

EC: Extended care before and/or after school for elementary students (some also provide transportation—call to ask)

BA: All teachers hold at least a bachelor's degree in child development or a related field

Drop-in: Drop-in child care available

**NAEYC:** Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children

TT: Child must be toilet trained

V: Volunteer opportunities available

A Child's Place, 1301 Morningside. (734) 417–5008. Montessori-inspired infant, toddler, and preschool program for ages newborn-12 years. Currently accepting full-time clients (40 hours/week). Adultchild ratios: infants 1:2; toddlers 1:4; preschool 1:8. Infants \$440/week, toddlers \$385/week, preschool \$310/week; \$7.70—\$11/hour over 40 hours. Sibling discount. 7 a.m.—6 p.m. achildsplacea2.com

Alaina's Children's Center-Downtown, 216 Beakes. (734) 761–8070. Full- and part-time day care and preschool for ages 6 weeks-12 years. Music program, camps and field trips in summer, and Procare in all classrooms to connect parents with children. Adult-child ratios 1:3–1:10. 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Contact for pricing. info@alainascc.com, alain com Drop-in

Alaina's Children's Center-East, 3220 Oakwood. (734) 973-7222. Full- and part-time day care for ages 6 weeks-6 years. Multi-age preschool and preK for ages 2½-5. Camps and field trips in the summer. Procare in all classrooms to connect parents with children. Adult-child ratios 1:3–1:8. 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Contact for pricing. info@alainascc.com, alaina com Drop-in

Allen Creek Preschool, 2350 Miller. (734) 994-3382. Half-day preschool programs for ages 3-5. Teacher-child ratio 1:6. \$970/month. allencreek@ ro BA

Ann Arbor Children's House Montessori, 2309 Packard. (734) 330–8190. Montessori preschool and kindergarten for newborns-6 years. Lead teachers Montessori certified. Adult-child ratio 1:8. Open late Aug.-early June. a

Ann Arbor Christian School, 5500 Whitmore Lake Rd. (734) 741-4948. Half-day preschool and half- or full-day kindergarten with Christian faith integration. Age 3 meets Tues. & Thurs. 8:15–11:45 a.m. (\$1,961/ year); age 4 meets Mon., Wed., & Fri. 8:15-11:45 a.m. (\$2,942/year); half-day kindergarten meets Mon.–Fri. 8:15–11:45 a.m. (\$5,781/year), full-day kindergarten meets Mon.-Fri. 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m. (\$10,360/year). Preschool students may enroll for additional days. After-school care available.

Ann Arbor Hills Child Development Center, 2775 Bedford. (734) 971–3080. Preschool for ages 2½-preK. Ramelle Alexander & Amy Jordan codirectors. Meets 2-5 days/week, 9 a.m.-noon. Optional extended programs until 3 p.m. Parents & toddlers class Fri. 9–10:15 a.m., young toddlers Fri. 10:30 a.m.-noon. Call for pricing. adm m BA

Ann Arbor Public Schools Preschool Programs. Comprehensive preschool education for infants-age 5 at the following elementary schools: Abbot, Allen, Angell, Bach, Bryant, Carpenter, Dicken (afternoon only), Eberwhite, Lakewood, Logan, Mitchell, Pitts-

Ann Arbor Public Schools Westerman Preschool & Family Center, 2775 Boardwalk. (734) 994-2303. Comprehensive early childhood programs for age 5. Natasha York, principal. Runs the Head Start and Great Start Readiness Program for children ages 3 & 4 who live in the Washtenaw

Intermediate School District and meet eligibility guidelines. Early Childhood Special Education program for ages 3–5 who have diagnosed disabili-Ongoing enrollment. Tuition-based programs are

Ann Arbor YMCA Child Development Center, 400 W. Washington. (734) 263–2094. Year-round child care for ages 2½–5; ages 3½–5 includes weekly swim lesson (school year only). After-school care Bach, Eberwhite, Haisley, & Wines). Adult-child ratios 1:8–1:10. \$787–\$1,545/month; reduced rates available for YMCA members. 7:30 a.m.–6 p.m. Scholarships available; MDHS payment assistance orymca.org, annarborymca org NAEYC, Drop-In

Annie's Children's Center-West, 5350 Park. (734) 663–8081. Full- and part-time infant/toddler care, preschool, and full-year school-age program. Muic and dance programs. Transportation available to/ from Haisley and from Dexter school. Camps and field trips in summer. Procare app in all classrooms to connect parents with children. 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Contact for pricing. westside@anniescc.com, anni com EC, BA

**Bilingual House,** Child Care Center, 3181 Packard; Group Child Care Home, 2788 Manchester Rd. (734) 780-1529. Full-time Mandarin Chinese and English immersion preschool and daycare for ages 2 weeks-5 years. Offers developmentally appropriate programs for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Beforeafter-school programs available. Adult-infant/toddler ratio 1:4, adult-preschooler ratio 1:6 at the Center; adult-child ratio 1:6 at the Group Home. 7:30 a.m.-EC, Drop-in, BA

Children's Creative Center, 1600 Pauline. (734) 769–0019. Daycare for ages 1–6. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:10. Summer program for ages 6-13. Intern program for students in grades 6–9, who assist teachers. Toddler care: ages 1–2 (\$70/half day, \$80/full day). Young preschool: ages 2½–4 (\$65/half day, \$75/full day). PreK: ages 4–5 (\$65/half day, \$70/full day) org EC

Childtime Learning Center, 4220 Plymouth Rd. (734) 332–0062. Preschool for ages 6 weeks–5 years. Variety of scheduling options. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:12. Mon.–Fri. 6:30 a.m.–6 p.m. Call for pricing. Drop-in, NAEYC

Christian Montessori School of Ann Arbor, 5225 Jackson Rd. (734) 332–9600. Programs in a nondenominational Christian environment for infants—age 5. Montessori-credentialed teachers. Morning and afternoon extended care available (4:30 p.m.). See website for class offerings and tuition. Financial assistance available to qualified applicants. admisa.org, cmsaa.org EC

Community Day Care, CDC House, 1611 Westminster. (734) 761–7101. CDC Forest, 4001 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (734) 680–5282. Two locations for preschoolers ages 2½-5 and Y5-K at CDC Forest. Half- and full-day and part-week options available. Summer camp for post-K through pre-6th grade. Adult-child ratio 1:7. 7:45 a.m.–5:15 p.m. Scholarships available. laura@ EC (for students at

Burns Park & Lawton), BA, NAEYC Dexter Co-op Preschool, 8260 Jackson Rd. (734) 426–2491. Age 3 meets Mon. & Thurs.; age 4 meets Tues., Wed., & Fri. Adult-child ratio 1:4. Morning

(8:30-11 a.m.) and afternoon (noon-2:30 p.m.), Sept.-May. Call or check website for rates. dexter

The Discovery Center, 775 S. Maple. (734) 663–7496. Preschool and Y5s for ages 2¾–5. Summer camp. Adult-child ratio 1:8. \$73/day, \$54–\$65/half day. info@thediscoveryce

**Doughty Montessori School**, 416 S. Ashley. (734) 663–8050. Since 1977. Montessori preschool and kindergarten for ages 2½–7 years. Summer programs. Adult-child ratio 1:7. Full-time 8:15 a.m.–5:30 p.m., school-day 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m., and half-day 9 a.m.-

Early Childhood Center at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, 2935 Birch Hollow (734) 971-0990. Full-day, half-day, and part-week options for early childhood care and education for children of all backgrounds, ages 2 months-5 years After-school care for elementary students. See website for hours, rates, and application information. ecc@jccannarbor.org (early childhood enquiries), (school-age enquiries), EC, NAEYO

**Early Explorer Child Care Learning Center,** 4080 Packard. (734) 369–6293. Full-day child care and preschool for newborns to school-age. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:8. Programs 2–5 days/week. 7:30 a.m.–5





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The Early Learning Center, 3070 Redwood. (734) 973–7722. Half-day preschool for ages 2½–5. Open Sept.–June. Mon.–Fri. 8:45–11:45 a.m. Optional multi-age afternoon enrichment class Mon.–Thurs. 11:45 a.m.–2:15 p.m. cartricarning centerannarbor@gmail.com, elepreschool.com TT

Elements Natural Learning Community, 5141 Platt. (734) 369–3357. Play-based, self-directed care and immersion in the natural world for children ages 3–5½. Families help run the school and volunteer in the classroom. Adult-child ratio 1:7 or less. Full- and half-day care available; \$45–\$65/day. Scholarships available. Mon.—Thurs. 8 a.m.—5:30 p.m. elementspreschoola2@gmail.com, elementspreschoolmi.com

Everbrook Academy of Ann Arbor, 2380 Oak Valley. (734) 996–9352. Full- and part-time child care and preschool-juniorK, for ages 6 weeks–5 years. 7 a.m.–6 p.m. everbrookacademy.com EC, NAEYC

First United Methodist Cooperative Nursery, 120 S. State. (734) 662–7660. Co-op preschool for ages 3–5 (must be at least 3 by Sept. 1); age 2 drop-off and parent group. Reggio Emilia-inspired, play-based approach to learning and kindergarten readiness. Parents assist in class 6–9 times per semester. Age 2 meets Tues.—Thurs. 9 a.m.—noon (from \$135–\$405/month, depending on number of mornings). Parent playground Fri. 9–11:30 a.m. (\$40/month). Flexible, multi-age preschool classes Mon.—Fri. 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. (from \$180–\$450/month, depending on number of mornings). Extended-day option Mon. Wed., & Fri. Adult-child ratio 5:1. Tuition assistance available. susan@fumcnpreschool.org, fumcnpreschool.org

Foundations Preschool of Washtenaw County, 3770 Packard. (734) 677–8130. Celebrating 90 years. Daycare, preschool, and family center for ages 6 weeks–5 years. Children entering grades K–1 may participate in Days of Discovery summer STEAM camp. Great Start Readiness Program participant. Meals and snacks provided. Adult-infant/toddler ratio 1:4; adult-preschooler ratio 1:8. Tuition based on a sliding scale. 7 a.m.–6 p.m. foundations-preschool. org BA, NAEYC

Glacier Way West Side Co-op Preschool, 900 S. Seventh (West Side United Methodist Church). (734) 995–0707. Preschool for ages 3–4. Adult-child ratio 1:4. \$835/semester. Sept.—May, Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9 a.m.—noon. info@glacierwaycoop.org. glacierwaycoop.org BA

Green Apple Garden Lower Playschool, 2664 Miller Rd. (734) 773–3182. Ages 6 weeks–3 years. Reggio Emilia–inspired, nature-based infant, toddler, and preschool programs. Part- and full-time. Adult-child ratio 1:4. 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. See website for rates and scholarship information. appleplayschools. org/greenapplegarden Drop-in

Green Apple Garden Upper Playschool, 511 Miller Ave. (734) 369–6563. Ages 2½–6 years. Reggio Emilia–inspired, nature-based toddler and preschool programs. Part- & full-time. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:8. 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. See website for rates and scholarship information. appleplayschools.org/greenapplegarden Drop-in

Green House Montessori School, 3613 Green Brier. (734) 913–0021. Montessori preschool and kindergarten for ages 14 months–6 years. Full- and half-day programs, extracurricular activities, and summer camp for children up to age 9. Teachers are Montessori, certified. Accredited by the American Montessori, Michigan Montessori, and International Montessori societies. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:12. 7:30 a.m.–6 p.m. Call for rates. greenhousemontessoriannarber@mmil.com, minimulessoriaendemy.com/green-house BA, EC

Gretchen's House-Dhu Varren, 1580 Dhu Varren. (734) 821–2800. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-11 years. After-school and summer programs for school-age children. Off-site schoolage programs at Northside Community Church (929 Barton). Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:10. 7:45 a.m.–5:15 p.m. shannon.peitz@gretchenshouse.com\_gretc

Gretchen's House-Mount Pleasant, 721 Mount Pleasant. (734) 662–2739. The "Baby House." Fulland part-time programs for ages 3 months-3 years. Adult-child ratio 1:4. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. brad. guoan@gretchenshouse.com gretchenshouse.com NAEYC

**Gretchen's House–Mount Vernon,** 700 Mount Vernon. (734) 769–4402. The "Big House." Full- and part-time programs for ages 3–5. After-school care for school-age children. Off-site school-age program at Zion Lutheran Church (1501 W. Liberty). Summer camp for ages 5–7. Adult-child ratios 1:8–1:10. 7:45

a.m.-5:15 p.m. chrissy.mckiddie@gretchenshouse com, gretchenshouse.com EC, NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Northside, 929 Barton. (734) 821–2801. After-school programs for grades Y5–5 from Thurston, A2STEAM at Northside, and Logan elementary schools. Summer programs for schoolage children. Adult-child ratio 1:10. Summer hours 7:45 a.m.–5:15 p.m.; school-year hours school release–5:15 p.m. school-year hours com, gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com EC, NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Oak Valley, 2340 Oak Valley. (734) 327-6125. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-11 years. After-school and summer programs for school-age children. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:10. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. karin rawak@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com EC, NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Stadium, 1745 W. Stadium. (734) 663-4720. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-5 years. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:8. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. sara guean@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Traver, 2625 Traver. (734) 761-7030. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-11 years. Summer programs for school-age children. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:10. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. danielle.wiener@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Washtenaw Intermediate School District, 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 944–8100, ext. 1619. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-5 years. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:8. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. eva-marie.hatfield@gretchenshouse.com\_gretchenshouse.com\_NAEYC

Gretchen's House–Zion, 1501 W. Liberty. (734) 845–8991. After-school programs for grades Y5–5 from AA Open, Bach, and Eberwhite schools. Summer programs for school-age children. Adult-child ratio 1:10. Summer hours 7:45 a.m.–5:15 p.m.; school-year hours school release–5:15 p.m shannon. steinbach@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com EC, NAEYC

KinderCare Learning Center, 2300 S. Huron Pkwy. (734) 971–6626. Infant, toddlers, preschool, preK, and programs for ages 6 weeks–5 years. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:10. 6:30 a.m.–6 p.m. kindercare.com/our-centers/ann-arbor/mi/301165 NAEYC

KingCare, 3800 Waldenwood. (734) 994–4485. Child care enrichment program for King Elementary students during the school year. Child care spots for the 2024–25 school year are full; waitlist available on website. <a href="https://h

Little Blue Preschool, 113 Eighth. (734) 369–2792. Child care for ages 1–5 with a focus on High-Scope curriculum, with opportunities for problem-solving and creativity. Adult-child ratios 2:5–1:7. Ages 1–2½ years, \$80/full day; preschool for ages 2½–5 years, \$280/week or \$56/full day. Open school days 8 a.m.–5:15 p.m. BA

Little Folk's Corner, 4850 Dexter Rd. (734) 769–0944. Day care and preschool for ages 6 weekspreK. Half- and full-day care available for all programs. Minimum 2 days/week. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. littlefolk scorner.com

Little Saints Preschool, 540 Elizabeth (St. Thomas the Apostle School). (734) 769–0911. Preschool for ages 3–5. Half-day 8 a.m.–12:30 p.m.; school day 8 a.m.–3:10 p.m.; extended-day schedule 3:10–5:30 p.m. Call for rates. <a href="mailto:sta2.org/school/preschool">sta2.org/school/preschool</a> TT

Manzanitas Spanish Immersion Preschool, 2626 Packard. (734) 975–9104. Ages 6 months–6 years. Reggio Emilia–inspired Spanish-language immersion programs for infants, toddlers, preschool, and Y5s. Full- & part-time. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:8. 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. See website for rates and scholarship information. appleplayschools org/manzanitas Drop-In

Michigan Islamic Academy, 2301 Plymouth Rd. (734) 665–8882. Montessori preschool and kindergarten for age 3+; includes Arabic language and Islamic studies. School days 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

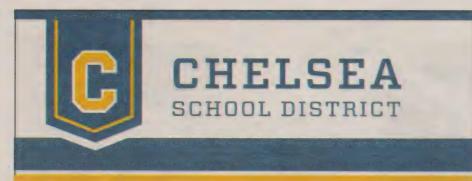
OakTrails Montessori, 6727 Warren. (734) 662–8016. Established 1956. Preschool, kindergarten, and transitional 1st grade for ages 2¾–6. Full- and part-time care available. Morning program 8:30 a.m.–1 p.m., \$8,460; full-day program 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m., \$11,000. Sibling discount. Adult-child ratio 1:8. info@oaktrails.org.oaktrails.org.BA, EC

Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor–Early Childhood Program, 2775 Newport. (734) 995–4141. Parent-child classes and mixed-age preK and traditional/outdoor kindergarten. Half- and full-day programs, 3–5 days. Tuition dependent on day and time options. Additional rates for before- or after-care. 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m. admissions@steinerschool.org steinerschool.org EC, V (parents)

St. Paul Preschool-Downtown Campus, 420 W. Liberty (St. Paul Lutheran Church, lower level).



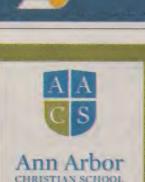




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St. Paul Preschool-Main School Campus, 495 Earhart. (734) 821–2606. Year-round child care with a Christian base for ages 2¾–5 years. Adult-child ratio 1:7. \$36/morning, \$58/full day. 7:30 a.m.–6 p.m.

**Squiggle Room,** 100 Oakbrook. (734) 369–4276. Montessori- and Reggio Emilia–inspired HighScope preschool program for ages 6 weeks–5 years. Emphasis on art, music, and yoga. \$385–\$2,330/month. No openings as of July 2024. squiggleroom.com

**Stone School Cooperative Preschool,** 2811 Stone School Rd. (734) 971–4820. Programs for ages 2¾–6 years; summer camp for ages 2¾-12. Parents assist with one job around the school and participate in two general meetings per year. Check website for hours

Stony Creek Preschool Too!, 3460 Dexter Rd. (734) 213-2488. Full- and half-day child care and preschool for ages 6 weeks-7 years. Summer camps. 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Contact for pricing. stonycreek

**Summers-Knoll Preschool,** 2203 Platt. (734) 971–7991. Full-time preschool program for ages 3–5. Adult-child ratio 1:7. Annual tuition \$16,600. 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. info@summers-knoll.org, sum-

TLC Adventure Preschool, 1400 W. Stadium (Trinity Lutheran Church). (734) 662-4419 and (734) 645–5248. ELEA-associated preschool for ages 2½–6. Adult-child ratio 1:7. \$58/month (plus \$75 registration fee). 5% sibling discount. Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Nov.-May. prestrinitya2.org/preschool BA, TT

**Triangle Cooperative Preschool,** 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (First Presbyterian Church). (734) 221–0905. Mixed-age preschool for ages 3–5. Parents assist in class 1–3 times/month. Adult-child ratio 1:5. \$675/semester for 2 days/week; \$975 for 3 days; \$1,275 for 4 days. Sibling care and some tuition assistance available. Mon.—Thurs. 9:15 a.m.—12:15 p.m. Sept.—May.

The U School, 3630 Plaza, stes. 5A and 6A. (734) 368–9551. A new-model preschool, preK, and Y5 program offering Skillful Togetherness Curriculum for ages 2¾–5 years. Adult-child ratio: 1:8. Part-time \$53/half day, \$84/full day. Full-time \$374/week. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.<u>r</u> tuschool.org Drop-in, BA

U-M Children's Centers. Health System Children's Center, 2601 Glazier Way. (734) 998–6195. North Campus Children's Center, 2800 Plymouth Rd. (734) 763–3939. Towsley Children's House, 710 S. Forest. (734) 763-3400. Full-day programs for newborns-5 years. Open to the public (priority for U-M affiliates, waiting list for enrollment). Ratios, hours, and tuition rates vary by center. childcare.umich.edu Drop-

**Uno Dos Tres Spanish Immersion Preschool**, 1500 Scio Church. (734) 213-1123. Spanish immersion preschool for ages 1-6. Thematic immersion curriculum with a focus on communication, problem solving, and creativity. 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Email for tour or rates. info@unc

#### **EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES**

826michigan, 115 E. Liberty (inside Robot Supply & Repair). (734) 761–3463. Writing center offers students ages 6–18 field trips, creative writing workshops, and in-school programs. All programs are free.

Adventurers Homeschool Association, 950 E. Arkona, Milan (Milan Free Methodist Church). Laura Cachia, (734) 752–0807. Interdenominational Christian learning cooperative serves homeschooling families with children from newborn to high school. Meets for two 12-week semesters for shared classes that include music, sciences, arts, drama, and a summer get-together. adventurershomeschool@gmail.

Ann Arbor Chinese Center of Michigan (Ann Arbor Chinese School), PO Box 130733, AA 48113. Classes and cultural enrichment activities for adults and children, including classes in Chinese language (age 3-adult), yo-yo, musical instruments, K-pop dance, and Chen-style Taiji. Meets Sept.-June, Fri. 6-9:50 p.m. aaccom.org

Ann Arbor Parent Advisory Committee for Special Education. Parents and guardians supporting children in AAPS who have IEPs or 504 Plans. Monthly online meetings present useful information and include relevant guest speakers. Executive committee members available to answer questions. Lively and supportive Facebook group. aap

**Bala Vihar,** 4760 Packard (Chinmaya Mission Ann Arbor). (734) 904–8902. A forum through which children ages 3–18 learn Hindu practices and philosophies. Sun. 10-11:30 a.m. Labor Day-Memorial Day, sharada@umich.edu, vkramanat

Children's Literacy Network, 1100 N. Main, ste. 207 (NEW Center). (734) 255–3997. Literacy-based programs to help children develop a love of reading and books. Volunteers meet with children in their schools. BookPALS combines pen pals with peerassisted learning strategies to connect students across communities; Family Literacy Interactive Program helps families build literacy skills together; Read With Kids pairs a reading mentor with children in grades preK-1; and Reading Stars, Readers Theater combines reading, writing, and performance. childrensliteracynetwork.org V

En Nuestra Lengua Literacy and Culture Project. Programa de alfabetización y cultura en español para niños bilingües cuyos padres son hispanohablantes. Free Spanish-language literacy program for Spanish/ English bilingual children with Spanish-speaking parents. Saturday morning classes during the school ear for children grades preK-5 at an AAPS building. Staffed by native Spanish speakers trained as teach-

**Family Learning Institute,** 1954 South Industrial, ste. D. (734) 995–6816. Free one-to-one tutoring in reading and writing for students in grades 2-5. A student is matched with an adult volunteer for the school year. Priority is given to students from low-income households within Washtenaw County. In-person lo-cations in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti; Zoom tutoring available. info@familylearninginstitute.org, familylearninginstitute.org V

First Steps Ann Arbor (AAPS Rec & Ed), 2775 Boardwalk. (734) 994–2300, ext. 53186. Year-round classes and summer camps designed for children from infancy-age 5 with parent or caregiver participation. Play-based classes in music, science, dance, yoga/movement, literacy, art, literature, dramatic play, foreign language exploration, nature/environment, and speech & language development. Specialty playgroups for infant-parent support, just for fathers, Spanish-speaking families, and more. Independent, child-only classes available in select dance, sports, and other enrichment choices for ages 3–5. See website for complete listing of classes. firstste

German School of Ann Arbor, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. (Washtenaw Community College). (734) 833–9989. German language and culture classes, taught mainly in German, for ages 3-16. Sat. 9:30 a.m.-

Girls Group, 1100 N. Main, ste. 101 (NEW Center). (734) 531–5996. Educational nonprofit that empowers girls grade 6 and up from economically disadvantaged, socially vulnerable backgrounds to achieve emotional and financial self-sufficiency, graduate high school, and begin college/career. Comprehensive year-round programming includes in-school, weekend, summer, and spring break programs; college/career prep and support; youth council; and family engagement. info@girlsgroup.org, girlsgroup.org

Korean School of Ann Arbor, PO Box 8435, AA 48107. (734) 846–0887. Korean language and culture taught in English and Korean. Sept.–June, Sat. 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Open to all, age 4–adult. ksofaa@

Language Adventure, 2311 E. Stadium, ste. 105N. (734) 769–8378. After-school Spanish and French language/culture classes and programs for grades preK-6 with or without previous language experience. Gradual language immersion with fun activities, songs, stories, movement, and projects. Average class size 12 students. Some financial aid available adv.com, lan

Language Resource Center. Databases connect language learners with tutors and conversation partners. Tutors have different levels of experience and different hourly fees indicated in the database. Irc.contact@

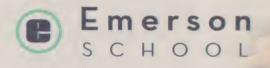
Michigan Alliance for Families. (734) 926-8446 Free special education information, resources, and support for parents/caregivers of students with disabilities. Advocates for parent/caregiver involvement in IEP process and special education system from birth to age 26. Offerings include 1:1 parent mentor ing, a comprehensive, on-demand video library, and virtual learning/training opportunities. sanderson@

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#### Children

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Peace Neighborhood Center, 1111 N. Maple. (734) 662–3564. After-school tutoring and clubs for elementary and middle school students. Year-round college and career exploration program for high school students, homework help, counseling, health seminars, teen recreation, and family enrichment programs. On-site summer day camp July-Aug. for children entering grades 1–9. All activities free, except \$85/family for summer camp. Preference given to children and families on the west side of Ann Arbor. info@peaceneighborhoodcenter.org, peaceneighborhoodcenter.org

Safety Town (Ann Arbor Public Schools Rec & Ed). (734) 994–2300, ext. 53224 or (734) 478–7831. Educational summer program teaches safety awareness using a child-size mock Ann Arbor "town" that children explore on bikes. Curriculum covers bike helmets, body safety, fire safety, riding a school bus, pedestrian safety, and more. For children entering Y5, kindergarten, or 1st grade in the fall. Weeklong sessions offered in June and July from 8:30–11:30 a.m. Aftercare offered from 11:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Location varies annually; announced in the spring. Limited space available. Register online. safetytown@aaps.k12.mi.us, a2schools.org/page/5004

Staying in Closer Touch, 2275 Platt. Nonprofit program that links incarcerated parents with their chil-

dren through reading. Volunteers record incarcerated family members reading to their children, and the recording, book, and a card from the parent are sent to the child. <a href="mailto:contact@stayinginclosertouch.org">contact@stayinginclosertouch.org</a>, <a href="mailto:stayinginclosertouch.org">stay-inginclosertouch.org</a> V

Student Advocacy Center of Michigan, 124 Pearl, ste. 504, Ypsilanti. (734) 482–0489. Education advocacy, support, and mentoring for school-age children and youth facing school-related challenges, particularly school discipline and special education concerns. Services are free to families. helpline@studentadvocacycenter.org, studentadvocacycenter.org. V

Washtenaw Learning Disabilities Association. Provides information, resources, and support to individuals with learning disabilities and their families living in Washtenaw County. See website for a list of tutors, many trained in the Orton-Gillingham reading method. Scholarships for tutoring and for Washtenaw Community College available. <a href="mailto:lda.washtenaw@gmail.com">lda.washtenaw@gmail.com</a>, washtenawlda.org

Washtenaw Success by 6, 1819 S. Wagner (WISD Teaching and Learning Center). (734) 994–8100, ext. 2178. County program works with 40+ community organizations to ensure that every child in Washtenaw County starts school ready to succeed. Provides resources for parents, including information on child development, preschool, child care, and health insurance. cklus@washtenawisd.org, washtenawsuccessby6.org

WISD Parent Advisory Committee (PAC), 1819 S. Wagner (WISD Teaching and Learning Center). (734) 994–8100. Parent group of Washtenaw County students with disabilities. Committee reviews and pro-

Every summer, children who are about to start school gain safety awareness in a child-size mock Ann Arbor "town" in AAPS Rec & Ed's Safety Town (Educational Resources).

vides input on public school special education plans. Meets monthly during the school year. <u>washtenawisd</u> org (search for PAC)

#### **ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS**

Ann Arbor Area Piano Teachers. (734) 834–6236. Piano lessons by professional teachers. Comprehensive Find-a-Teacher online directory connects students with available teachers. Opportunities for students include recitals, master classes, performer's group, and evaluation. Subchapter of Music Teachers National Association. a2pianoteachers.com

Ann Arbor Art Center (A2AC), 117 W. Liberty. (734) 994–8004. Art classes for all ages, rotating exhibitions, and a shop featuring local art. Painting, mixed media, jewelry, ceramics, ArtLab (where traditional art meets technology), kids day camps during AAPS breaks, art parties, and events throughout the year. Mon.–Fri. 10 a.m.–7 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.–4 p.m. annarborartcenter.org V

Ann Arbor District Library. (734) 327–4200. Downtown library, 343 S. Fifth Ave. Malletts Creek branch, 3090 E. Eisenhower. Pittsfield branch, 2359 Oak Valley. Traverwood branch, 3333 Traverwood. Westgate branch, 2503 Jackson Ave. Events, books, movies, musical instruments, science tools, board games, art prints, and more for kids and families year-round at 5 library locations. Preschool storytimes (children age 2+ accompanied by caregivers) and baby playgroups (children under age 2 accompanied by caregivers). The Summer Game offers a classic summer reading game, plus puzzles, programs, codes, and prizes. Free library events include arts & crafts activities, film screenings, author & storyteller visits, and musical programs. ask@aadl.org, aadl.org

Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, 220 E. Ann. (734) 995–5439. Works to inspire curiosity, exploration, and respect for STEM and the natural world. More than 250 interactive exhibits attract more than 300,000 visitors annually. With Leslie Science & Nature Center, offers field trip and outreach programming for schools, libraries, and communities statewide and around the world in addition to preschool, family, and adult programming. Check website for current hours and memberships, scholarships, and EBT/WIC/SNAP pricing. museum@aahom.org, discoverscience-andnature.org V

Ann Arbor Music School, 1806 Dexter Rd. (213) 948–8007. Private lessons in guitar, bass, mandolin, ukulele, and songwriting/production. Lessons 7 days/ week for age 6+. Band mentoring/coaching through the process of playing together, writing songs, booking shows, and recording. a2musicschool@gmail.com, a2musicschool.com

Ann Arbor Saline Music Center, 135 E. Bennett, Saline. (734) 883–4751. Since 1998. Private lessons in guitar, bass (electric & upright), drums, voice, piano, banjo, trumpet, trombone, mandolin, ukulele, and violin. Rock and jazz band classes for age 7–adult. Workshops, clinics, summer camps, custom-made guitars, and guitar repairs. All skill levels welcome. Closed-Fri. a2musiccenter@gmail.com, a2musiccenter.com

Ann Arbor Suzuki Institute of Music. Mary Lou Roberts, coordinator. Instruction in violin, viola, cello, bass, and guitar for age 3—adult. Early childhood classes for parents with babies and toddlers. arborguitar@gmail.com, annarborsuzuki.org

Ann Arbor Youth Chorale, 1100 N. Main, ste. 111 (NEW Center). (734) 996–4404. Since 1987. Two auditioned ensembles (Descant Choir and Concert Choir) for children and youth ages 9–18 with unchanged treble voices. Both choirs rehearse Tues. evenings, Sept.–May, perform annual winter & spring concerts, and travel locally. Concert Choir tours nationally every other year. To request an audition, visit the website and click the Audition Information tab. aaycadmin@a2yc.org, a2yc.org V

Ann-Hua Chinese School, 3250 Plymouth Rd., ste. 203. (734) 780–7081. A WASC-accredited bilingual supplementary education program that offers Chinese language and cultural classes plus other enrichment classes in math, science, and English language arts for grades preK–12 and adults. In-person classes meet Mon.–Fri. 4:30–9 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m.–6 p.m. Online/hybrid classes available for remote learners. Follows AAPS calendar. Summer culture camp and summer school enrichment classes. Chinese New Year celebration, Moon Festival celebration, youth talent show, college forum, and student volunteering opportunities for all ages. Online registration for fall, winter, & spring available in Aug. Summer program registration available in May. contact-us@annhua.org,principal@annhua.org,annhua.org

Art Corner Studio, 2739 Plymouth Rd., ste. A. (734) 358–9724. Fine art studio with focus on painting and drawing, as well as courses in other media including sculpture and digital art. Summer camp. Mentors young artists with art school applications and career

guidance. Private art lessons tailored to various needs, including special needs. Hosts company art events and birthday parties. artcornerstudio.com

Scouting America, Michigan Crossroads Council, 14258 Michigan St., Eagle 48822. (517) 940–4210. Activities for young people in Cub Scouts (grades K–5) and leadership activities in Scouts BSA (grades 6–12), Venturing and Sea Scouting (ages 14–21, 13 if 8th grade completed). See <a href="mailto:beaseout.org">beaseout.org</a> for area groups. michiganscouting.org V

Boychoir of Ann Arbor, 1100 N. Main (NEW Center). (734) 663–5377. Nonprofit community choir offering experience and performance opportunities for boys ages 8–18. Three choirs perform classical, sacred, secular, and contemporary music in local concerts and for area community organizations, events, and private functions. Occasional travel to choral festivals. Day camp in June. Open auditions year-round by appointment. No experience required. office@a2boychoir.org, aaboychoir.org

Bryant Community Center (Community Action Network), 3 W. Eden. (734) 477–0292. Supervised after-school educational and recreational programs for grades K–12. Six-week summer day camp for grades K–5 features swimming, reading, activities with dogs, art, games, and field trips. Call for fees, schedule, and eligibility requirement information for Bryant residents. Scholarships available. Similar programs available for residents of Hikone, Green Baxter, Creekside Court, and Arrowwood Hills. canwashtenaw.org/education V

Buhr Park Children's Wet Meadow Project, 2751 Packard. (734) 794–6230. Children, neighbors, and friends helped create and continue to care for this educational site and ecosystem. Features throughout the park act as filters for stormwater runoff and support a diverse habitat of plants, insects, and animals. Workdays and projects open to all ages. wetmeadow.org V

Clay Work Studio, 2763 Plymouth Rd. (734) 604–7596. Monthly youth class for ages 8–17 introduces basic techniques. One-week summer camp for ages 8–18. clayworkstudio.lee@gmail.com, clayworkstudio.com

Gallup Park River Kids, 3000 Fuller. (734) 794–6240. Exploratory program for ages 2–7 (with caregiver) using kayaks, canoes, or paddleboats on Gallup Pond, plus fishing, stories, art, and play. Each session is once per week for four weeks. Preregistration required. \$70 per child Ann Arbor residents; \$84 non-residents; siblings half price. a2gov.org (search for River Camps)

Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan, 1671 Plymouth Rd. (734) 714–5140. Six age divisions for girls ages 5–18. Activities include camping, leadership, career exploration, and community service. Call to volunteer, join, or start a troop. helpdesk@gshom.org, gshom.org V

**iD Tech Camps.** (888) 709–8324. STEM program for ages 7–18. Code, design video games, mod Minecraft, create with Roblox, engineer robots, print 3D characters, and work with AI and machine learning. idtech.com

KidZone at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 971–0990. Grades K–5. After-care until 6 p.m. Computer lab, homework support, nutritious snacks, indoor and outdoor play, monthly theme weeks incorporate athletics, arts, crafts, creative learning, and more. Vacation activities and field trips when school is not in session. kidzone@jccannarbor.org, jccannarbor.org/departments/youthteens/kidzone

Little Bands, 2145 Independence (Church of the Good Shepherd; no affiliation). (734) 627–7107. Students age 4–adult join a band, learn songs on vocals and four instruments (piano, guitar, bass, drums), improvise, and compose. Private lessons and summer camps available. Moving to a new location in fall 2024. littlebandsmusic.com

Leslie Science & Nature Center, 1831 Traver. (734) 997–1553. With trails, nature playscape, live animals, and programming, the LSNC works to inspire curiosity, exploration, and respect for STEM and the natural world. Together with the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, offers field trip and outreach programming for schools, libraries, and communities statewide and around the world in addition to preschool, family, and adult programming. Check website for current hours and memberships, scholarships, and EBT/WIC/SNAP pricing. info@lesliesnc.org, discoverscience-andnature.org V

MPulse Summer Performing Arts Institutes, 2005 Baits (Stearns Bldg., U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance). (734) 936–2660. A collection of residential summer programs that engage over 200 precollege and adult students pursuing excellence in music performance, theater, music technology, dance, and musical theater. Some financial assistance available. mpulse@umich.edu, smtd.umich.edu/mpulse

Music For Little Folks. (734) 741–1510. Gari Stein, founder & director. Community music school based in traditional folk music for children from infancyage 5 and their grown-ups. Classes include Sing



Voce Velata (Activities for Kids) is a youth-led chamber ensemble that studies and performs the music of BIPOC and female composers.

With Me (music, movement, instrument, & art exploration), mixed-age class Wed. in studio, Nurturing Baby and You for babies to pre-walkers, and Sing, Dance, Play for babies-age 5. Outdoor and virtual Music Playgroup through Ann Arbor YMCA. Ann Arbor Symphony KinderConcerts at area libraries. garistein0125@gmail.com, little-folks-music.com

Neutral Zone, 310 E. Washington. (734) 214–9995. Youth-driven teen center for grades 9–12 offering programs in the visual arts, music technology, community leadership, education, and literary arts. Dropin activities include tutoring, pool, ping-pong, art studio, computer lab, and a recording studio. Weekend events (sometimes a cover charge) include live music performances, DJ parties, movie nights, and poetry slams. Drop-in activities and tutoring are free. Hours during the school year: Mon.—Thurs. 2:30–6:30 p.m. & Fri. 2:30–6 p.m. with special events on Sat. & Sun. info@neutral-zone.org, neutral-zone.org V

Oz's Music, 1920 Packard. (734) 662–8283. Full-service instrument store offering sales, repairs, rentals, and in-person/online music lessons, including voice, theory, composition, and a variety of instruments. Half- and full-day summer camps including Meet the Instruments (ages 6–12) and Rock Band (ages 8–12). Know Obstacles is a year-round interactive therapeutic program for children and adults with special needs. ozmusic@ozmusic.com, ozmusic.com

The Petting Farm, 3001 Earhart (near Domino's Farms Office Park). (734) 998–0182. Since 1984. Ponies, alpacas, llamas, goats, pigs, sheep, chickens, peacocks, cows, bunnies, and donkeys. Hayrides are available most weekends. Playground, Maggie the milking cow demonstrator statue, birthday party packages, and private events. Adults & children \$8; seniors (60+) \$5.50; children 23 months and younger free; family pricing per family \$40. Open year-round, but hours vary seasonally. Discounts for military, first responders, and parties of 15+. info@pettingfarm.com, pettingfarm.com V

Rec & Ed (Ann Arbor Public Schools Community Education and Recreation), 1515 S. Seventh (behind Pioneer High School). (734) 994–2300. Classes for preschool–8th grade offered year-round after school, evenings, and weekends. Enrichment classes include art, chess, dance, drama, languages, music, nature, and science. Online registration for camps and classes at <a href="mailto:aarecedonline.com">aarecedonline.com</a>; all other programs, <a href="mailto:aarecedonline.com">aarecedonline.com</a>; all other programs, <a href="mailto:aarecedonline.com">aarecedonline.com</a>; all other programs, <a href="mailto:aarecedonline.com">aarecedonline.com</a>; all other programs,

Robinsongs for Kids, 1526 N. Maple. (734) 929–2133. Music Together music and movement program for young children and their parents/caretakers. Classes come with songbook/CD and include singing, movement, rhythmic rhymes, and instrument play. Mixed Age (age 5 & under), Rhythm Kids (ages 4–8 for music, movement, and drumming), and Babies (8 months & under) classes in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. director@robinsongsforkids.com, robinsongsforkids.com

School of Rock, 6101 Jackson Rd. (734) 686–3333. One-on-one guitar, bass, drum, singing, and keyboard/piano lessons combined with group band rehearsals. Courses include performance, songwriting, and Rock 101, where students learn simplified versions of classic rock songs; House Band music program lets students under 18 join a gigging band. Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 2–9 p.m., Wed. 2–10 p.m., Fri. 3–8 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–3 p.m. annarbor@schoolofrock.com/locations/annarbor

Scrap Creative Reuse, 4567 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 800–4137. Nonprofit organization whose mission is to inspire creative reuse and environmentally sustainable behavior by providing educational programs and affordable materials to the community. Donated surplus materials spark kids' imagination for crafting, building, or projects. Tues.—Sat. 10 a.m.—7 p.m., Sun. noon–5 p.m. annarbor.scrapcreativereuse.org V

Spinning Dot Theatre. Creates international plays for kids and their families. Global stories performed by actors age 8+. Summer theater camps. Artistin-residency and satellite programs. <a href="hello@spinning-dot.org">hello@spinning-dot.org</a>, <a href="mailto:spinning-dot.org">spinning-dot.org</a>, <a hre

Talking Colors Art School, 2230 Pontiac Tr. (Rudolf Steiner High School). (734) 680–3532. Art education for students age 6+. Summer camp and after-school program. College portfolio preparation. <a href="mailto:elenatef@gmail.com">elenatef@gmail.com</a>, talkingcolors.com

Throw Art Studio, 130 Jackson Plaza, ste. 2A. (734) 776–8832. Pottery studio with kid-and-parent sessions, summer camps, teen classes, pottery painting, one-time classes, and events. <a href="mailto:support@throwann-arbor.com">support@throwann-arbor.com</a>, throwannarbor.com

U-M Michigan Youth Ensembles, 2005 Baits (Stearns Bldg., U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance). (734) 936–2660. Brings together middle and high school students, selected by audition, for weekly rehearsals at the U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance. Students engage in a stimulating musical environment, learning directly from U-M conductors, applied faculty, and graduate students, and perform in U-M concert venues. Ensembles include a full symphony orchestra and wind ensemble, jazz ensemble, chamber choir, middle-school string orchestra, trombone and percussion ensembles, and an academic musicianship course. smtd-youthandadult@umich.edu/mye

Voce Velata. Youth-led chamber ensemble that studies and performs the music of BIPOC and female composers. Open to ages 11+; rolling auditions. Learning community and resources for music educators who wish to diversify their curriculum and deepen their social justice practice. vocevelatamusic.org

Washtenaw Camp Placement, 3135 S. State, ste. 350D. (734) 971–4537. Established 1962. Provides scholarships and other support for sleepaway summer camp to Washtenaw County youths in grades 4–11 who have less access to opportunity. afales@washtenawcampplacement.org, mtw@washtenawcampplacement.org washtenawcampplacement.org V

Washtenaw County 4-H (MSU Extension), 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 997–1678. Provides young people with experiential learning opportunities in project areas that include livestock, small animals, crafts, gardening, food and nutrition, environmental education, and more. canr.msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw county 4 h

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Preschool programs for newborns–5 years include parent/tot classes, dance, swimming, Spanish, and gymnastics. Programs for school-age youth include after-school care, summer camp, dance, swimming, gymnastics, soccer, basketball leagues, fitness classes, Youth Volunteer Corps, yoga, and martial arts. Teen programs include after-school care, fitness classes, Youth Volunteer Corps, Youth in Government, summer camp, dance, swimming, basketball, martial arts, yoga, and fencing. Financial assistance available. Program details, rates, and registration online. annarborymca.org V

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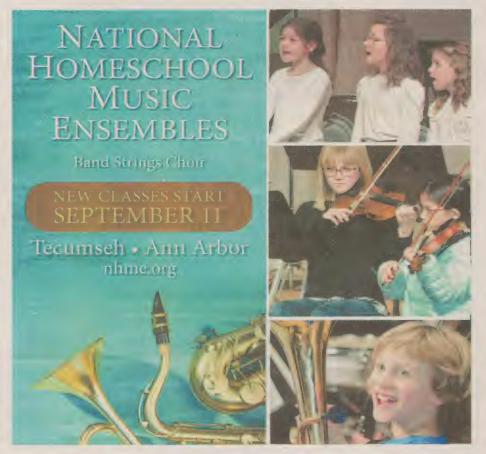
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Young People's Theater, 331 Metty, ste. 3. (734) 222–4006. Professional-quality theater experiences for grades K–12. Programs include: fall/spring mainstage productions performed at the U-M Power Center and Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, extensive tech program for working "backstage," performance arts classes, and summer camps. ypt@youngpeoplestheater.com, youngpeoplestheater.com V

#### **YOUTH SPORTS**

#### **Multi-Sport Programs**

i9 Sports, 4333 Whitehall (Gabriel Richard High School). (734) 224–3126. Flag football, soccer, basketball, baseball, and volleyball leagues for grades preK–7. Fees vary. leagueoffice399@i9sports.com, i9sports.com/franchises/ann-arbor-mi/399

Liberty Athletic Club, 2975 W. Liberty. (734) 665–3738. Tennis and swim teams and an array of year-round youth fitness classes, including strength training and yoga. Members only. <a href="mailto:liberty@libertyathletic.net/youth">liberty@libertyathletic.net/youth</a>

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822–2120. Soccer, T-ball/machine pitch baseball, track, and street hockey leagues. Also offers a wide array of youth programs and classes, including soccer, track, martial arts, volleyball, and dance & tumbling. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, recreation.pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Soccer, field hockey, flag football, basketball, volleyball, futsal, and baseball/softball/T-ball teams. Emphasis on safe and inclusive recreational sports opportunities for all young people, regardless of race/ethnicity, socioeconomic status, origin, ability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Youth may register using a variety of gender terms, including nonbinary/gender fluid. Team assignments completed according to school attendance area, unless parents request otherwise. pickvetw@a2schools.org, joffet@a2schools.org, a2schools.org/page/4375

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Large selection of youth sports and instructional leagues. Wide offering of half- and full-day summer sports and specialty camps. Year-round multisports classes for children ages 3–4. Financial assistance available. <a href="mailto:membership@annarborymca.org">membership@annarborymca.org</a>, annarborymca.org V

#### Archery

Washtenaw County Parks & Recreation, 7734 Plymouth Rd. (Staebler Farm County Park). Intro classes for ages 8+ Apr.—Oct. Noncompetitive atmosphere with a focus on fundamentals, safety, and form. <a href="mailto:dehringk@washtenaw.org">dehringk@washtenaw.org</a>, washtenaw.org/3748/archery

#### Baseball, Softball, & T-Ball

i9 Sports, 4333 Whitehall (Gabriel Richard High School). (734) 224–3126. Coed summer and fall T-ball and coach-pitch baseball leagues for grades preK3–preK4 and K–1. No experience required. Practice followed immediately by a game one day/week. Fee: \$149–\$169 (includes jersey). league-office399@i9sports.com. i9sports.com/franchises/ann-arbor-mi/399

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation, 701 W. Ellsworth (Pittsfield Twp. Park). (734) 822–2120. Coed fall/spring leagues include T-ball (ages 4–6; fee \$75) and machine pitch (ages 7–9; fee \$85). No experience required. One game and one practice per week. Fee includes shirt and cap. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Summer baseball, softball, and T-ball leagues for grades Y5–8, a2schools org/page/4375

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Spring/summer coed leagues. No experience required. T-ball (grades K-1) and coach-pitch baseball (grades 2-3). Fees subject to change and include equipment and jerseys. tlange@annarborymca.org,annarborymca.org/program-offerings V

Ypsi-Arbor American Little League (YALL), PO Box 970885, Ypsilanti, 48197. Coed spring/fall baseball and softball. T-ball (ages 4–6), coach pitch (ages 6–7), advanced coach pitch (ages 6–8), minors (ages 8–10), majors (ages 11–12), and juniors (ages 13–14). No cuts. One practice and one local game per week; older divisions may have 2–3 double-headers. Fees: \$40–\$140, depending on division and time of registration; includes jersey and hat. Helmets available to borrow. Financial aid available. contactus@ypsiarborll.org.ypsiarborll.org

#### Basketball

i9 Sports, 4333 Whitehall (Gabriel Richard High School). (734) 224–3126. Coed late fall leagues for grades preK4–K, 1–2, 3–4, and 5–6. No experience required. Practice followed immediately by a game one day/week. Fee: \$149 (includes jersey). league-office399@i9sports.com, i9sports.com/franchises/ann-arbors.mi/399

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Fall league for grades 2–3 and winter league for grades 4–8. pickvetw@a2schools.org, a2schools.org/page/4392

YMCA AAU Basketball, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Two boys AAU leagues for grades 5–8. Tryouts. Competitive, local travel basketball program. Practices 2 days/week at YMCA. Fee: \$325 (includes tournaments and jersey). tlange@annarborymca.org/program-offerings

YMCA In-House Basketball League, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Three seasons offered Oct.—Apr. for boys, girls, and coed. Meets 2 days/week for practices and games. Fee: \$65 member, \$120 nonmember (includes jersey). tlange@annarborymca.org/program-offerings V

#### Cheer

Junior Wolverines Cheer, PO Box 306, AA 48106. Coed fall teams for ages 5–13. Freshman, JV, and varsity levels. No experience required. Practices at Pioneer High School 5 days/week in summer and 4 days/week during school year; cheers at 8 local games. Fee: \$300 (includes uniform and equipment). wbjw.registrar@gmail.com, juniorwolverines.org/cheer

Washtenaw Maize Junior Football and Cheer. President Adriya Perry, (734) 352–1551. Fall cheer-leading team. Mascot Maize Cheer for ages 4–6 (fee: \$150) and Varsity Cheer for ages 12–13 (fee: \$275). No tryouts. Practices at Huron High School 4 days/week; cheers at every football game and in a Down-river Junior Football League cheer competition. Fee includes uniform. <a href="maize.org">cheerdirector@wjfmaize.org</a>, wifmaize.org

#### Cycling

Ann Arbor Velo Club Juniors, P.O. Box 3658, AA 48106. Coached bike training for ages 18 and under. Weekly lessons. Road/track racing Apr.—Oct. with 11–14 local & regional races. Cyclocross (mud/grass racing) Oct.—Nov. with 8–10 races. \$30 individual membership; \$50 family membership. annarborveloclub.org/juniors

Ann Arbor Youth Mountain Bike Team. July-Oct. program for elementary (grades K-5) and intermediate (grades 6-8) students. No experience required. Casual, group training rides in the summer including 1-3 practices/week on dirt/gravel roads outside Ann Arbor or on trails at area parks. Six optional Mi-SCA races (boys and girls divisions) held throughout Michigan. Fee: \$40/rider, plus \$75/race MiSCA fee. wimmiscamtb@gmail.com, annarboryouthmtbteam.com, miscabike.org

#### Dance

Dance Theatre Studio, 713 North University. (734) 995–4242. Dance company classes in ballet, jazz & contemporary, and hip-hop for middle schoolers. Placement by audition only, held in May. Includes one local competition and two performances. Fee: \$40–\$70/month. Dance Theatre Studio also offers classes, with recitals, for ages 3–18, including ballet, contemporary, hip-hop, jazz, musical theater, pointe, pre-pointe, preschool movement, and tap (broadway and rhythm). dancetheatrestudioa2@gmail.com, dancetheatrestudio.net

#### Fencing

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Beginning, intermediate, and advanced classes for all ages. Advanced fencing, open by recommendation/demonstration of skill, is aimed at preparing students for USFA or collegiate competition, and may include a field trip to a USFA tournament. Fee: \$55 members, \$155 nonmembers (includes jacket and equipment). jbaca@annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org/offering-category/fencing V

#### Field Hockey

Fer de Lance Field Hockey Club, PO Box 4316, AA 48106. Field hockey training and travel competition for all genders ages 8–18. Academy is open to any players and includes clinics, winter/summer leagues, and open training. Elite is a full-commitment, invitation-only travel program with year-round training (Sept.—Aug.) and regional/national competitions. Travel teams selected through assessment. <a href="fer-delancefieldhockey@gmail.com">fer-delancefieldhockey@gmail.com</a>, fdlfhc.com

**Pinnacle Field Hockey.** Travel team for U12/U14 Sept.–June, U16/U19 Nov.–June. Practices at U-M Ocker Field (1202 S. State). Cost varies by age group.



Boys in grades 1-8 and girls in grades 5-8 can play lacrosse with the Ann Arbor Blue Jays.

pinnacleplayfh@gmail.com, pinnaclefieldhockey.com

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Coed fall/spring leagues for grades 3–4 and 5–6. No tryouts or cuts. Six games per season. Fee: \$135 residents, \$145 nonresidents (includes jersey). joffet@a2schools.org, a2schools.org/page/4392

#### Football & Flag Football

i9 sports, 4333 Whitehall (Gabriel Richard High School). (734) 224–3126. Coed summer flag football leagues for grades preK4–K, 1–2, 3–4, and 5–7. No experience required. Practice followed immediately by a game one day/week. Fee: \$169 (includes jersey). <a href="mailto:leagueoffice399@i9sports.com">leagueoffice399@i9sports.com</a>, <a href="mailto:i9sports.com">i9sports.com</a>/ franchises/ann-arbor-mi/399

Junior Wolverines, PO Box 306, AA 48106. Three coed teams (freshman, JV, and varsity) for ages 8–13. Preseason practice is 5 times/week; in-season 4/week. No experience required. Practices at Pioneer High School; 8 local games. Fee: \$350 (includes equipment/jersey). wbjw.registrar@gmail.com, juniorwolverines.org

**Rec & Ed,** 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Fall/spring leagues for grades Y5–8. Practice followed by a game one day per week. <a href="mailto:pickvetw@a2schools.org">pickvetw@a2schools.org</a>, <a href="mailto:a2schools.org/page/4392">a2schools.org/page/4392</a>

Washtenaw Maize Junior Football and Cheer. President Adriya Perry, (734) 352–1551. Downriver Junior Football League team with three levels: freshman (ages 7–9, up to 125 lbs.), junior varsity (ages 10–11, up to 150 lbs.), and varsity (ages 12–13, up to 180 lbs.). Practices at Huron High School 4 days/week. Fee: \$275 (includes jersey). wjfmaize.org

#### Golf

City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation. Huron Hills, (734) 794–6246. Leslie Park, (734) 794–6245. Huron Hills is a welcoming course for beginner and intermediate golfers, including "wee-tees" for smaller golfers, camps, classes, and lessons. Rates: \$10–\$40 per day (equipment extra). Leslie Park is a nationally recognized golf course. Rates: \$20–\$60/day (equipment extra). Both courses offer reduced fees through a partnership with Youth On Course: \$5 for 18 holes, \$3 for 9 holes. a2golf.org

#### **Gymnastics**

Gym America, 5555 Hines. (734) 971–1667. Yearround teams for ages 5–18: Pre-Team, Girls, and Boys. Invitation only. Pre-Team offers training in entry-level gymnastic skills, physical conditioning, and performance. Girls and Boys teams are based on skill. Practice 1–6 days/week, depending on level. Fees vary based on team. gymamericaoffice@gmail.com.gymamericagymnastics.com

Michigan Academy of Gymnastics, 240 Metty, ste. C. (734) 761–7610. USAG Jr. Olympic girls and boys teams. Tryouts in spring. Competes in state, regional, and national meets through USA Gymnastics. michiganacademy com

#### Hockey

Biggby Coffee Hockey Club, 2121 Oak Valley. (734) 213–1600. Youth hockey for ages 4–14U. Junior Bears Rookie program (ages 4–6) teaches fundamentals. Home Grown Hockey (ages 4+) adds practice and cross-ice games. T3 Program (ages 8U–14U) practices 2 days/week with weekly games with limited travel and LCAHL league play. Travel Program T2 has 2 practices and 2+ games/week, off-ice program

and tournaments, 35–55 games per season, and travel LCAHL league play. AAA Hockey (10U–14U in Ann Arbor) is an elite travel program with 2+ practices/ week, off-ice training with each practice, video review included in practices, and 60–75 games/season. pcostello@biggbycoffeehockeyclub.com, biggbycoffeeicecube.com/ann-arbor/hockey

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822–2120. Coed winter street hockey league for ages 6–9. No experience required. Practices one day/week; one game/week. Fees TBD (includes jersey and equipment). recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

#### **Ice Skating**

Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club, 2121 Oak Valley (Ann Arbor Ice Cube). (734) 213–6768. All-gender Aspire and Hockettes teams. Tryouts in April. Aspire competitions are local/regional. Hockettes is a year-round synchronized skating team with practices at least one day/week, and competitions that may involve international travel. AAFSC also offers a wide array of programming for all ages, including Learn to Skate classes, adaptive skating, and opportunities for showcase skating, singles freestyle, and ice dance. Fees include costumes. annarborfsc.org

#### Lacrosse

Ann Arbor Blue Jays Lacrosse. Spring lacrosse open to boys grades 1–8 and girls grades 5–8; teams are gender-specific and typically split by grades 3–4, 5–6, and 7–8. Practices at Lillie Park (4365 Platt) 2–3 days/week; 8–14 local and regional games/season. Fee: \$425 + \$75 for uniform. Some scholarships available. a2bluejayslax@gmail.com, a2bluejays.com

#### **Martial Arts**

Asian Martial Arts Studio, 208 S. Fourth Ave. Children's program for ages 6–12 teaches basic techniques from Okinawan Karate-do, Judo, Aikido, Kung Fu. Classes held Mon. 4:30–5:30 p.m. & Sat. 12:30–1:30 p.m. a2amas.com

Liberty Athletic Club, 2975 W. Liberty. (734) 665–3738. Saber, kung fu, sword lab, and lightfencing classes for ages 12+. Members only. <a href="mailto:liberty@liberty@liberty\_athletic.net/libertyathletic.net/youth">liberty@liberty@liberty\_athletic.net/youth</a>

Japanese Martial Arts Center, 2875 Boardwalk, ste. H. (734) 720–0330. Karate and judo classes for all ages. \$165/month. info@japanesemartialarts-center.com. japanesemartialartscenter.com.

Kils Martial Arts, 3110 Packard. (810) 227–1991. Tackwondo for ages 3½–5, 6–10 and 11+. kilsmartial-arts 09@gmail.com. kils-martialarts.com

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation, 4597 Platt (Wrights Karate) and 6564 S. State (South-East Martial Arts Academy). (734) 822–2120. Spring/ summer coed karate classes with a focus on basic self-defense, balance, teamwork, and self-confidence. Meets one day/week. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Quest Martial Arts, 540 Avis Dr., ste. D. (734) 332–1800. Ninjutsu for ages 4+. questcenter@sbcglobal.net quest-martialarts.com/

URSA Academy, 981 Varsity Dr. (734) 369–8509. Brazilian Jiu Jitsu. reception@ursaacademy.comursaacademy.com

#### **Rock Climbing**

Planet Rock, 82 Aprill. Four 11-week recreational youth programs offered in summer and fall for ages

4–5, 7–10, and 11–15. Fees: \$375–\$475, including equipment, a 12-week gym membership, free rentals, and a free belay class and day passes for parents. Competitive team by invitation. planet-rock.com

#### **Running and Track**

Ann Arbor Track Club/YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Three seasons (cross-country, indoor, and outdoor) for ages 6–18. No experience required. Practices 2–3 days per week at Bowen Fieldhouse (EMU, indoor), Ferry Field/Greenhills School (outdoor), the Arb, County Farm Park, and Lillie Park (cross-country). Runners have the opportunity to compete in local, regional, and national races bracketed by age and gender. Full season runs Nov.—Mar.; half season runs Nov.—Jan. or Jan.—Mar. Fees subject to change. tlange@annarborymca.org/program-offerings/track V

Girls on the Run of Southeastern Michigan, 3075 Clark, ste. 101, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–5640. After-school running program for girls and gender-expansive youth in grades 3–6. Emphasizes self-confidence and a sense of connection as a team. Volunteer coaches facilitate lessons that blend physical activity with life skill development. Season culminates in a Community Impact Project and 5K run. Ongoing volunteer opportunities include coaching (Mar.—May and Sept.—Nov.) and 5K support committee (Jan.—May). info@girlsontherunsemi.org. girlsontherunsemi.org V

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822–2120. Spring/summer/fall coed programs for ages 5–8 and 9–12. No experience required. Practices one day/week at Lillie Park South Fee: \$105 (does not include equipment or jerseys). recreation@pittsfield-mi\_gov\_pittsfield-mi\_gov/1212/youth-programs

#### Soccer and Futsal

Ann Arbor United Soccer Club, PO Box 1864, AA 48106. (734) 975–4257. Competitive travel teams for U7–U19. Tryouts. Practices 2–3 days/week; 8–10 games/season with local and statewide travel. Fees: \$1,050–\$2,450. Some financial support available. AA United also offers a wide array of soccer programming, including clinics and camps. information and part, augusted net.

i9 Sports, 4333 Whitehall (Gabriel Richard High School). (734) 224–3126. Coed summer and fall leagues for grades preK3–preK4, K–1, 2–3, and 4–6. No experience required. Practice followed immediately by a game one day/week. Fee: \$149 (includes jersey). leagueoffice399@i9sports.com. i9sports.com/franchises/ann\_urbor\_mt/309

Michigan Premier Soccer Academy (MPSA Crush). (734) 249–9193. Year-round soccer and futsal teams/programs for boys and girls ages 2–19. In-house programs for ages 2–8; Select for ages 7+; Premiere for players seeking a high level of commitment. Tryouts; teams organized by skill. Highlicensed coaches coach at all levels of play. Practices 1–2 days/week at Concordia University and St. Paul Lutheran School. Select team travels locally for games; Premiere travels statewide. Fees vary and do not include uniforms. mpsa\_adm@\_mmail.com\_mpsa\_crush.com

Michigan Tigers Futbol Club, 2140 Oak Valley (WorldWide Sports Center). (734) 707–1678. Year-round soccer league for ages 6–19. No experience required and no tryouts. Teams determined by age, gender, and level. Local travel for competitions. Fees vary based on team/age and include all equipment except uniforms. info@michigantigersfc.com, muchigantigersfc.com

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822–2120. Coed spring/fall leagues include pee-wee (ages 3 & 4–5) and hot shots (ages 6–7 & 8–9). Practice/games on Sat. in Lillie Park South. Uniforms and equipment provided. recreation a pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Rec & Ed Futsal, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Fall/winter indoor soccer league for grades Y5–5. pickvetw@a2schools.org, joffet@a2schools.org, a2schools.org/page/4315

Rec & Ed Soccer, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Fall/spring soccer league for grades Y5–8. No tryouts or cuts. Practices one day/week with local weekend games. Sunday All-Gender League for grades Y5–8 in fall/spring. Fees: \$135 resident/\$145 nonresident (includes jersey). pickyetw@a2schools.org, joffet@a2schools.org, joffet@a2

WideWorld Sports Center, 2140 Oak Valley. (734) 913–4625. Junior 4v4 leagues for boys and girls ages 5–7 and recreational 6v6 leagues for boys and girls ages 7–14. No experience required. No practice; games one day/week. Fees: \$100–\$150 (includes jersey)

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Coed summer soccer leagues for grades preK-2. No experience required. Practices and games held weekly at

Virginia Park. \$65 members; \$120 nonmembers (includes jerseys). tlange@annarborymea.org annarborymea.org V

#### Swim & Dive

City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation. (734) 794–6230. Octopods swim team for ages 5–10 and 11–17 has four sessions throughout the year. No tryouts, but swimmers should be able to swim 25 yards freestyle. Fall, winter, & spring sessions practice at Mack Indoor Pool; summer sessions practice at Veterans Memorial Park and Buhr Park. Age 5–10 team practices 2–3 days/week; age 11+ and advanced ages 9–10 practice 4–5 days per week. Local competitions. Fees: \$100–\$250 (depending on season), or \$75 for meets only. Parks & Recreation also offers swim lessons and camps. a recreation/parks places from

Club Wolverine Swim Team, PO Box 130229, AA 48113. Coed swim teams for age 7+. Swimmers should know how to swim freestyle. Practices at U-M and EMU. CW Maize Level is held in fall/winter (Sept.-Apr.) and summer (Apr.-early Aug.); swimmers progress through three levels (ages 7-8, 8-9, & 9-10) and practice 3-5 days per week with 1 local competition/month. CW Blue Level is offered year-round; swimmers progress through three levels (ages 11-12, 11-13, & 12-14) and meet 5-6 days/week with local meets and 1 travel meet/season. Fees vary depending on level. kyle@clubwolverine.org.

Forestbrooke Pool Swim and Dive Team (F.A.S.T. Flying Fish), 2609 Yost. Coed summer swim and dive teams for ages 8 and under, 9–10, 11–12, and 13+. No experience required. Preseason swim practices meet 3 days/week after school; in-season, 5 days/week in the morning. Preseason dive practices meet 2 days/week after school; in season, 4 days/week afternoons. Washtenaw-area competitions every Saturday. Fees: \$110 members, \$185 nonmembers (includes T-shirt). Sibling discounts. mollyjeanp@gmail.com, forest-brookepool.com/swim-and-dive-icam

Orchard Hills Athletic Club (Gators), 2300 Yorktown (OHAC pool); (734) 665–2699. 2050 Prairie (Dolphin Pool); (734) 913–4558. Summer WISC-league swim and dive teams. Swim teams for grades K–2, 3–5, and middle school; practices 5 mornings/week with local meets on Sat. Dive teams for age 8 and under and 9+; practices 3 evenings/week at a local high school and meets on Fri. Fees: \$250 member, \$300 nonmember. Sibling discounts. swimen the pool or grades/gator-swim-team

#### Tennis

Ann Arbor Area Community Tennis Association. Free beginning tennis program for grade 6. Teaches the fundamentals of ground strokes, volleys, and sportsmanship. Six 1½-hour sessions held at the 7 AAPS schools that have grade 6. Culminates in an All-City Team Challenge at U-M's Varsity Tennis Center. Balls and racquets provided. AAACTA also hosts Swing Into Tennis, a series of summer tournaments held over 6 weekends at Huron High School for three levels: Orange Ball (10 & under), Green Ball (10 & under), and Level 7 (11–16).

#### Volleyball

i9 Sports, 4333 Whitehall (Gabriel Richard High School). (734) 224–3126. Coed late fall leagues for ages 7–10 and 11–14. No experience required. Practice followed immediately by a game one day/week. Fee: \$149 (includes jersey). leaguestice 3996195-ports com 195ports com/franchises/ann-arbor-mi/399 Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994–2300. Fall league for grades 4–9. infect@ 22chools.org, a2schools.org/page/4315

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Spring/fall boys and girls volleyball leagues for grades 5–8. Practices and games held twice per week. \$65 members; \$120 nonmembers (includes jersey).

#### **Water Polo**

Orchard Hills Athletic Club, 2050 Prairie (Dolphin Pool). (734) 913–4558. Summer water polo club for ages 8–12 and 13+. Offered 2 nights/week June–July. \$85 members; \$110 nonmembers. manager@ohacpool.org/pages/water-polo

#### Wrestling

Jr. Wolverine Wrestling Club. Year-round coed training in folkstyle, freestyle, and Greco-Roman wrestling for ages 10–14. No experience required. Practice 2 days/week at Skyline High School; competition varies depending on wrestler's skillset. Fee: \$150. Shoes available to borrow. admin@wolverines/restlingclub.com/wolverines/program

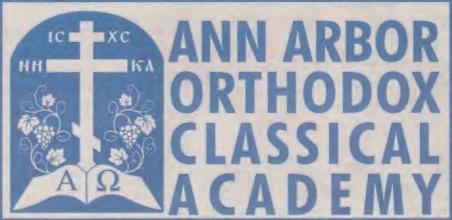


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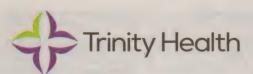
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#### HEALTH SYSTEMS

#### **U-M** Health

Main Medical Campus. 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. See map on p. 54. East Medical Campus .. . 4720 Plymouth Rd. Emergency department .....(734) 936-6666 General information.... (734) 936-4000 Patient information..... . (734) 615-0872 . (800) 962–3555 Physician referral...... Volunteer services ...... (734) 936-4327 ..... uofmhealth.org

Description: U-M Health, the clinical unit of Michigan Medicine, includes C.S. Mott Children's Hospital, Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital, University Hospital, the Frankel Cardiovascular Center, and the Rogel Cancer Center in Ann Arbor, as well as U-M Health West in Grand Rapids and U-M Sparrow Health System in the Lansing area. U-M Health hospitals and outpatient centers provide educational, clinical, and research facilities for students and faculty. More than 6,200 physicians, including residents and interns, and 7,041 nurses handle more than 49,730 discharges and 2.78 million outpatient visits

more than \$772 million in research grants each year, allowing the health system to offer new and experimental treatments. Medical students, residents, and nursing students participate in care under the supervision of faculty physicians. To find out how to participate in clinical research, call (877) 536-4243 or visit umhealthresearch.org. For a patient & visitor

University Hospital, Michigan Medicine's primary adult medical and surgical hospital, has 1,107 beds and houses operating rooms and some outpatient

C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital. (734) 936–4000. Specialty services for newborns, children, and women. The 1.1 million-square-foot facility has 345 beds, including 53 private maternity rooms and 59 private newborn intensive care rooms

Major programs and facilities, all on the main medical campus unless noted, include the Frankel Cardiovascular Center (888-287-1082); Gastroenterology (888–229–7408); Geriatrics Center (4260 Plymouth Rd., 734–764–6831, 877–865–2167); Kellogg Eye Center (1000 Wall, 734–763–8122); MedSport Physical Therapy (2121 Oak Valley Dr. [Ann Arbor Ice Cube Bldg.] and 24 Frank Lloyd Wright, 734–736, 7400). Physical Center (734–936, 7400). Physical Center (734–936, 936). 734–930–7400); **Neurology** (734–936–9020); **Psychiatry** (main campus and Rachel Upjohn Bldg., 4250 Plymouth Rd., 800–525–5188); Sleep Disorders Center (multiple locations, 734–936–9068); Transplant Heart (855–429–0474); Transplant Kidney, Liver, Lung, Pancreas (800–833–9013); Travel and Immunization Clinic (734–647–5899); and University Health Service (207 Fletcher St., 734-764-8320). V

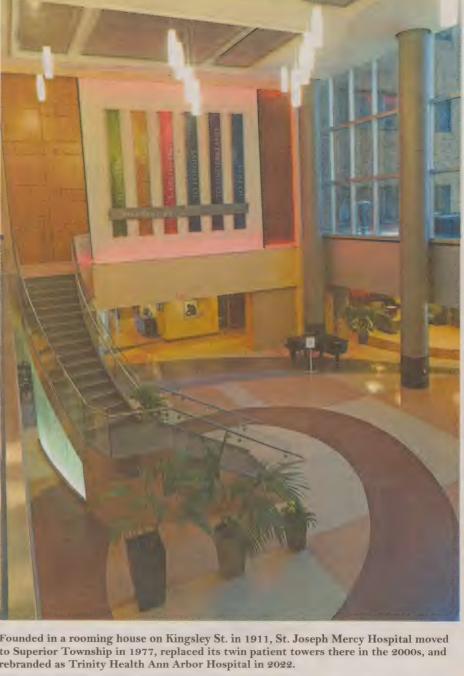
#### **Trinity Health Ann Arbor Hospital**

... 5301 McAuley, Ypsilanti See map on p. 48. .(734) 712-3000 Emergency department... General information.... ... (734) 712–3456 Physician referral(734) 712-5400, (800) 231-2211 Volunteer services ..... ... (734) 712–4159 Website... .. trinityhealthmichigan.org

**Description:** Trinity Health Ann Arbor is a member of Trinity Health Michigan. Programs include cancer care using the CyberKnife radiosurgery system and da Vinci robotic surgery, including a minimally invasive heart bypass. The hospital has participated in hundreds of cancer clinical trials.

The 537-bed acute care hospital offers complete medical and surgical inpatient and outpatient care, including cardiology, cancer care, obstetrics and other women's and children's health services (including a neonatal intensive care unit and pediatric emergency services), physical medicine and rehabilitation, orthopedics, neurosciences, senior health, emergency services (including specialized senior emergency room), home care, and hospice.

Trinity Health Michigan is a member of Livonia-based Trinity Health, the second-largest Catholic health care system in the country. As a Catholic affiliate, Trinity Health does not routinely perform

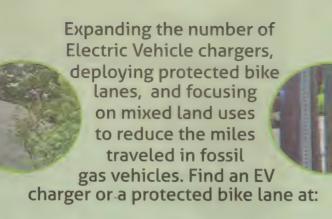


to Superior Township in 1977, replaced its twin patient towers there in the 2000s, and rebranded as Trinity Health Ann Arbor Hospital in 2022.

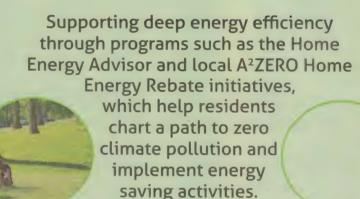
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Major programs and facilities, all on the main campus unless noted, include the Cancer Care Specialty Center (734–712–4673); Center for Digestive Care (734-434-6262); Emergency and Trauma Center (734–712–3000); **Home Care and Hospice** (34505 W. Twelve Mile Rd., ste. 100, Farmington Hills, 734– 343-7500); Huron Oaks mental health services, including partial hospitalization and adult residential unit (734–712–5850); Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute (734–712–8000); Michigan Orthopedic Center (734–712–5755); Pain Institute (734–712– 7246); Rehabilitation Services (734–712–8674); Reichert Health Center outpatient care (734–712–5300); Senior Health Bldg. (734–712–9968), which houses Senior Health Services and Lifeline Emergency call services; Sleep Disorder Center (734-712-





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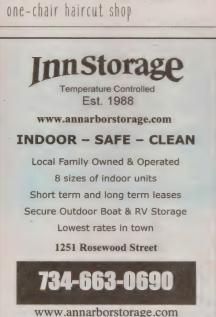
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2276); Trinity Health/Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center (734–712–5800), and Trinity Health IHA Medical Group, Orthopaedics-Ann Arbor Campus (734) 712-0655. V

#### Veterans Affairs Ann Arbor **Healthcare System**

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.... (734) 845-3467

Description: VAAAHS serves more than 70,000 veterans living in southeast Michigan and northwest Ohio. The main campus houses 102 acute care inpatient beds, a 40-bed community living center, and a clinical building for outpatient, diagnostic, and surgi-cal services. As the major VA referral facility for the Lower Peninsula, the health system supports numerous specialty programs, including a cardiac center, neurosurgery, hemodialysis, intensive psychiatric care, cochlear implantation, cancer treatment, and diagnostic radiology.

The facility offers special treatment programs for Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans, women veterans, those with spinal cord injuries, former prisoners of war, and others. VAAAHS includes outpatient clinics in Adrian, Canton, Flint, Howell, Jackson, and

The Ann Arbor facility also houses clinical, basic sciences, and health services research programs, and a geriatric research, education, and clinical center. More than 140 VA researchers work here on more than 400 projects in cardiovascular disease, cancer, hypertension, and diabetes. A major teaching facility, VAAAHS is affiliated with the U-M Medical School and 40 other colleges and universities and provides

training to more than 1,200 people yearly. It employs more than 3,100 staff and has more than 1,200 vol-

#### HOSPITAL LODGING PROGRAMS

McAuley Inn, 5305 Elliott, Ypsilanti. (734) 712-2600. 28-bed inn with full-service guest accommodations. Rooms \$77 (\$72 for seniors) for Trinity Health Ann Arbor patients and their families. Free weekday shuttle service around the Trinity Health Ann Arbor campus. trinityhealthmic

**U-M Guest Assistance Program,** 1500 E. Medical Center Dr., rm. 2B203. (734) 764–6893, (800) 888-9825. Assists eligible patients and families with lodging, transportation, parking, clothing, insurance, meals, and costs for medications and equipment. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Social workers available as needed. uofmhealth.org (search for Guest Assistance)

**U-M Health Lodging,** 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936–0100, (800) 544–8684. Helps patients and their families and visitors arrange hotel accommo dations while in the Ann Arbor area. Operates Med-Inn Hotel, located on the main medical campus, and partners with more than 30 area hotels. uofmhealth

Ronald McDonald House Charities Ann Arbor, 1600 Washington Hts. (734) 994-4442. Provides programs and services and a "home away from home for families of children (age 21 and under) receiving medical treatment at area hospitals. The organization has a total of 43 rooms (31 in the Main House across the street from C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and 12 in the Mott House located in the hospital) offering kitchen and laundry facilities, as well as meals, and an indoor and outdoor play area. info@rmhcann-

VA Ann Arbor Fisher House, 2215 Fuller Ct. (734) 845–3000. Free lodging program for families and caregivers of hospitalized veterans and active duty ervice members receiving care at VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System or at local hospitals when care is coordinated by VA Community Care. fisherhouse-

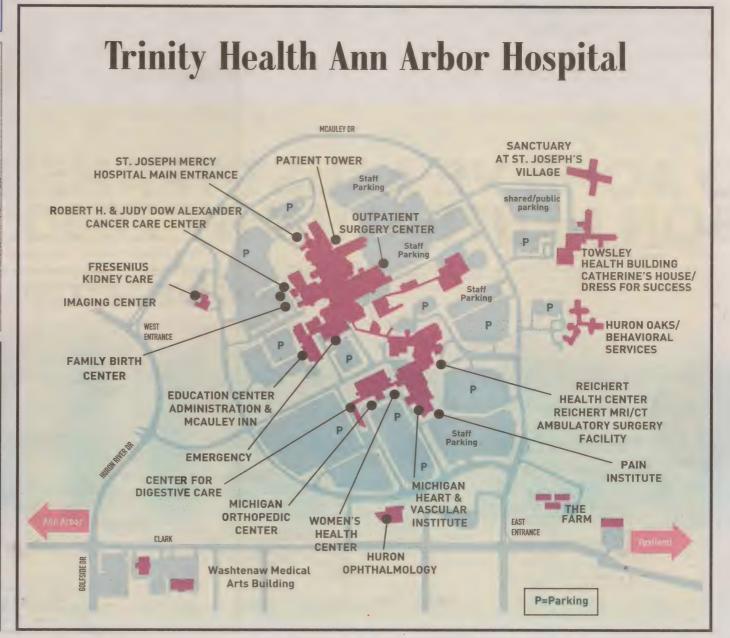
#### **HEALTH CARE CLINICS**

Clinics affiliated with area hospitals, or with nonprofit organizations that provide low-cost care to lowincome and uninsured people.

Corner Health Center, 47 N. Huron St., Ypsilanti. (734) 484–3600. Provides primary and mental health care for young people ages 12–25 and their children. Providers include board-certified physicians from Michigan Medicine and Trinity Health Ann Arbor. Services include physicals and wellness care, treatment for acute and chronic illnesses, reproductive health care, transgender care, counseling, and psychiatry. Accepts most private or public insurance. Services provided to young people regardless of their insurance status or ability to pay. Mon., Thurs., & Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tues. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; & Wed. 1-5 p.m.

**Hope Clinic,** 518 Harriet, Ypsilanti. (734) 484–2989. Provides free medical, dental, food, and behavioral health care to the uninsured. This includes hot meals and fresh produce; basic needs such as free laundry, emergency infant formula, and diapers; primary medical care; referrals for specialty care; in-house dental care; mental health support; health care navigation services; and more. Social work services include client advocacy, application support, and limited financial assistance. Appointment required. No emergency care or walk-ins. Limited capacity. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. thehopeclinic.org V

U-M Health Centers. Ann Arbor primary care centers: Briarwood Family Medicine, 1801 Briarwood Cir., bldg. 10; Briarwood Medical Group, 375 Briarwood Cir., bldg. 3. Briarwood Center for Women, Children and Young Adults, 400 E. Eisenhower, bldg. 2, ste. B; East Ann Arbor Health and Geriatrics Center, 4260 Plymouth Rd.; Domino's Farms, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright, lobby H; and West Ann Arbor Health Center, 380 Parkland Plaza. These Ann Arbor primary care centers are open by appointment and serve people with many types of insurance coverage. Many have lab and X-ray capabilities and offer evening and weekend hours. uofmhealth.or





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Packard Health. Packard Health Main and Pharmacy, 2650 Carpenter, (734) 971–1073; Packard Health West, 1915 Pauline, (734) 926–4900; Packard Health Ypsilanti, 200 Arnet, ste. 150, (734) 985–7200; Packard Health West Willow, 2345 Tyler, Ypsilanti (New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church), (734) 971-1073. Family practice physicians for all ages. Primary care, women's health, prenatal care, vaccinations, integrated behavioral/mental health care, addiction treatment, pharmacy, social work, health promotion, and many other support services. All major HMOs and health insurances accepted, including Medicare and Medicaid. Sliding fee scale available. Appointments required. Packard Health Main, West, and Ypsilanti: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-noon & 1-5 p.m. Packard Health West Willow: Tues. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Info@

Trinity Health Neighborhood Primary Care, 111 N. Huron St., ste. 200 (Haab Health Bldg.), Ypsilanti. (734) 547–7977. Primary care services for all ages. Washtenaw County residents with commercial insurance and the uninsured are welcome. Appointments required. Mon. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues. 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Wed. & Thurs. 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Fri. 7 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 8 a.m.-noon.

University Center for Language and Literacy (U-M Mary A. Rackham Institute), 1111 E. Catherine. (734) 764-8440. Serving people of all ages with language or literacy difficulties or impairments. Intensive therapy for people with aphasia, comprehensive neuropsychological evaluations to assess learning disabilities; reading problems; social lan-guage problems; special education needs; and additional factors in learning and cognition such as ADHD and mood/memory disorders. Reading intervention program offers assessments and one-on-one sessions for readers of all levels. ucll@umich.edu, mari.umich.edu/ucll V

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#### **Hospital-Affiliated Clinics**

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Trinity Health Ann Arbor Pediatric Emergency Department, 5301 McAuley, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–2786. 24-hour treatment for medical emergencies and illnesses in people age 21 and under. Use the emergency entrance at Trinity Health Ann Arbor Hospital. trinityhealthmichigan.org/lo

Trinity Health IHA Urgent Care-Domino's Farms, 4200 Whitehall, ste. 150. (734) 995–0308. Pediatric and adult care services for minor illnesses and injuries. Sport physicals, flu shots, X-ray/ultrasound, and more. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. & es.com (search for Domi-Sun. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ih no's Farms Urgent Care)

Trinity Health IHA Urgent Care-West Arbor, 4350 Jackson Rd., ste. 230. (734) 887–4396. Offers pediatric and adult care services for minor illnesses and injuries. Sport physicals, flu shots, X-ray/ultra-sound, and more. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. iha res.com (search for West Arbor Urgent Care)

#### **Private Clinics**

Advance Urgent Care & Walk-In Clinic, 1785 W. Stadium. (734) 995-8888. Offers treatment for common health problems and minor injuries (including allergies, migraines, pneumonia, burns, rashes, and STDs), as well as lab studies, physicals, vaccines, radiology services, and business health physicals. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. & Sun 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

AFC Urgent Care, Ann Arbor-Saline Rd., 3063 Oak Valley. (734) 926–5479. Urgent care, lab testing, vaccinations, physicals, STI testing, and more. Walkins welcome. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., o

Ann Arbor Urgent Care, 1000 E. Stadium, ste. 1. (734) 769-3333. Private clinic that accepts most insurance. Daily 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

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MD Ann Arbor Urgent Care, 310 S. Maple. (734) 794-3494. Provides a wide range of treatments for medical illnesses and minor injuries. Medical services and tests performed on-site. Daily 10 a.m.-6 p.m. md

Medical Care 1 Urgent Care, 1220 South University, ste. 212. (734) 531-6400. Urgent care for children and adults, work and school physicals, minor injuries, sports injuries, STIs, infusion, X-ray, lab work, telemedicine, and patient education. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. medical arease.

MI Express Urgent Care, 80 S. Zeeb, unit 101C. (734) 999-3850. Urgent care, occupational medicine, wellness services, and medical weight loss. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

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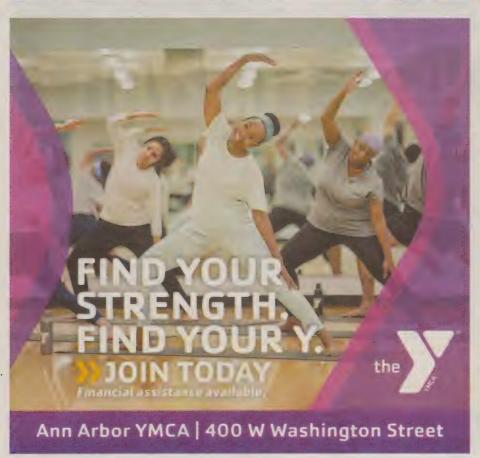


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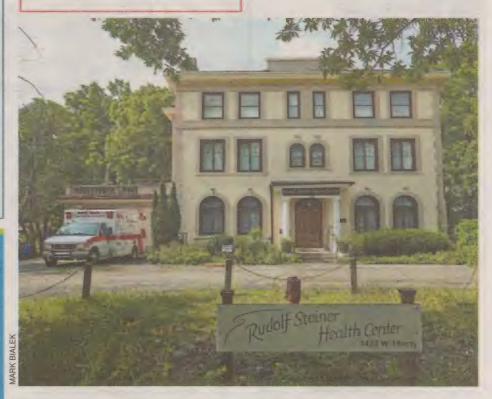


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ly 8 a.m.—8 p.m., including holidays. Reserve a spot online. michiganurgentcare.com

#### HEALTH INFORMATION & PHYSICIAN REFERRAL

U-M Health Rogel Cancer Center AnswerLine. (800) 865–1125. Information on risk factors, prevention, diagnosis, treatment options, clinical trials, support services, and assistance in arranging appointments. Staffed by registered oncology nurses. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m.; after-hours calls returned next business day. canceranswerline@med.umich.edu, rogelcancercenter.org/about/cancer-answerline

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781, press 8. No-cost assistance for seniors and adults with disabilities in making informed decisions regarding health insurance and prescription drug coverage. All Medicare recipients eligible. <a href="mailto:csswashtenaw.org/seniors/medicaremedicaid-assistance-program">csswashtenaw.org/seniors/medicaremedicaid-assistance-program</a> V

U-M Health Physician Referral Service, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (800) 962–3555. 24-hour, toll-free number that connects referring physicians with U-M physicians and services. Answers questions about office hours, locations, and specialty services.

Trinity Health Physician Referral Line, 5301 McAuley, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–5400. Provides physician referrals for Trinity Health Ann Arbor. <u>trinity-healthmichigan.org/find-a-occtor</u>

#### **ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE**

Nonprofit organizations and community resources for alternative medicine.

Ann Arbor Community Acupuncture, 2500 Packard, ste. 100. (734) 780–7253. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides affordable acupuncture treatments for a variety of health conditions. Mon. 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m., Tues. 2–8 p.m., Wed. 9:30 a.m.–8 p.m., Thurs. 12:30–8 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Sat. 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. info@mmunorcommunityacupunc-

Crazy Wisdom Community Journal. (734) 665–2757. Magazine published three times per year, plus an online edition and a monthly e-zine. Feature articles, interviews, reportage, columns, and personal essays about holistic health and integrative medicine, psychological and spiritual growth, energy healing,

acupuncture, conscious living, body/mind therapies, sustainability, and the health benefits of meditation and yoga, plus a calendar of local classes, workshops, and events in related fields. <a href="mailto:crazywisdom.pet.crazywisdom.pet

Integrative Healthcare Providers, 2800 S. State, ste. 215. (734) 547–3990. Holistic patient care with the choice of conventional naturopathic or traditional Chinese medicine, as well as counseling. office@ihcpaa.coms ihcpaa.com

Rudolf Steiner Health Center, 1422 W. Liberty. (734) 663–4365. Outpatient Office, 1825 W. Stadium. (734) 222–1491. The Liberty Center offers Life Force intensive two-week programs for those with chronic illness, holistic medicine and nursing care, nutrition counseling, and art, massage, and movement therapies. Other programs include fasting weekends wice yearly, detox weekends, medical internship program for ages 18–30, and home care workshops. The Outpatient Office provides integrative, anthroposophic medicine. Financial aid available. info@steinerhealth.org verifications.

#### CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY

Nonprofit treatment programs. For Al-Anon/Alateen, see Substance Abuse in the Emergency Services section, p. 92.

Dawn Farm, 6633 Stony Creek Rd., Ypsilanti. (734) 485–8725; intake (734) 669–8265; outpatient (734) 821–0216. Provides a continuum of long-term addiction treatment and recovery support services, including long-term residential treatment, transitional housing, outpatient care, sub-acute detoxification, and a range of active outreach programs. info@dawn-farm.org, dawnfarm.org

Home of New Vision. Main Office, 3115 Professional, (734) 975–1603. Engagement Center, 103 Arnet, Ypsilanti, (734) 879–1101. Behavioral health treatment center specializing in adult substance use disorder and prevention/education services for adults and youth. Provides recovery-based housing and support groups for men and women, outpatient therapy, residential treatment, co-occurring and stand-alone mental health services, the Women's Specialty program, and more. Also runs the Engagement Center, a 24-hour crisis intervention facility in Ypsilanti. Accepts most insurance. Some services free or based on a sliding-fee scale for Washtenaw County residents.

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**U-M Addiction Treatment Services,** 4250 Plymouth Rd. (Rachel Upjohn Bldg.). (734) 764–0231, (800) 525–5188. Provides assessment and personalized outpatient treatment (individual, group, and family therapy) for people who have problems with alcohol or other drugs, including outpatient detox and psychiatric services. Intensive outpatient treatment available for recovering adults, including health professionals. Accepts most insurances except Medicaid. Accepting new patients. In-person and virtual services available

#### **CHILDBIRTH**

U-M Health Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital Certified Nurse Midwife Service, 1540 E. Hospital Dr., level 9, reception B. (734) 763–6295. Certified nurse midwives provide preconception counseling, prenatal/postnatal care, and deliver babies. They also offer gynecological exams and information on nutrition, exercise, labor, breastfeeding, and parenting. umwomenshealth.org/conditions-tre

Trinity Health Birth Center-Ann Arbor Hospital, 5301 McAuley, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–0331. Comprehensive care for mother and baby, including OB triage, surgical facilities, a neonatal intensive care unit, and private labor and delivery rooms with bathrooms and showers. Nurse midwives and lactation consultants on staff. Prenatal education classes and tours are available. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/

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Nonprofit clinics providing dental care at reduced cost, as well as dental referrals.

Hope Clinic-Dental, 518 Harriet, Ypsilanti. (734) 484–2989. Provides free general preventive and restorative care to those without dental insurance or the ability to pay for dental care. Patients must be uninsured and below 200 percent of the poverty line to qualify for dental care. Services include cleanings, fluoride treatments, fillings, extractions, and limited referrals for specialty needs. Appointment required. No emergency care or walk-ins. Limited capacity. Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. theh

My Community Dental Centers of Ypsilanti, 111 N. Huron St., Ypsilanti. (877) 313–6232. A collaboration between Washtenaw County Health Department, Trinity Health System, Washtenaw Health Project, and My Community Dental Centers. Serves adults and children enrolled in Medicaid, MIChild, or Healthy Kids Dental, or who are uninsured and low-income. Reduced fees for uninsured veterans. All new patients must call or fill out online form to register. Services are lower cost, but not free. A \$39 registration fee for patients without insurance includes initial exam, X-rays, and a treatment plan. Washtenaw County Dental Assistance Fund available for residents who need help paying for treatment.

**U-M School of Dentistry,** 1011 North University, (734) 763–6933, (888) 707–2500. Faculty and students provide all types of dental treatment. Student clinics have reduced fees; discounted campus parking. Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Thurs. extended hours 6-8 p.m. by appointment. dent.u

Wasntenaw District Dental Society. (734) 761–2445. Find a Michigan Dental Association member who practices in the Washtenaw County area. 10 general and specialty categories to choose from.

#### **DISABILITY SERVICES**

Adapted Recreation (Ann Arbor Public Schools Department of Community Education and Recreation), 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. For those age 5+ with mental or physical challenges. Programs include Adapted Theater Workshop and Strike Force Bowling League. registration@aaps.k12.mi.us,

Assistive Media, 400 Maynard. (734) 834-3034. Produces audio-based periodicals, short stories, and nonfiction books to serve people with reading and/ or visual disabilities. Recordings available online.

Community Alliance, 301 W. Michigan Ave., ste. 102, Ypsilanti. (734) 482–3300. Supports and empowers people with developmental disabilities to achieve the highest possible level of independence and self-sufficiency through direct support services and fiscal intermediary services. kgr

Disability Network Washtenaw Monroe Livingston, 3941 Research Park Dr. (734) 971–0277. Works with and on behalf of people with disabilities toward successes at home, at work, at school, and in the community through information and referrals, peer consultation, independent living skills training, systems advocacy, benefits counseling, career services, small business development, youth services, and referrals to all-abilities recreation. info@dnwml.org, dn

**Down Syndrome Support Team,** 9227 Fieldstone, Saline 48176. (313) 608–7374. Resources for families and friends of people with Down Syndrome.

Intentional Communities of Washtenaw. Parents, families, and friends of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities work to reduce their isolation and improve their quality of life by supporting community living and enhanced social opportunities.

Judson Center Autism Connections, 3917 Research Park Dr., ste. B-1A. (248) 549-4339. Provides applied behavior analysis therapy for those with a diag-nosis of an autism spectrum disorder beginning at age 18 months. Many commercial insurances accepted, including some Medicaid. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-7 p.m. er.org, judsor

Michigan Ability Partners, 3810 Packard, ste. 260. (734) 975–6880. Serves veterans and individuals with disabilities by addressing homelessness and factors that can lead to homelessness, such as under- and unemployment, limited to no income, and limited support. Services include rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing, job placement and coaching, eviction prevention, and financial management (representative payee). Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-noon, 1-4:30 p.m. info@mapagency.org,

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Washtenaw County, 22 Center, Ypsilanti. (734) 481–2000. Financial assistance for people with disabilities. Helps with expenses such as rent, utilities, food, and clothes. Income, assets, and residency requirements apply. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or apply

Michigan Rehabilitation Services (Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity), 3810 Packard, ste. 170. (734) 677–1125, (800) 605-6722. Vocational rehabilitation services focused on achieving employment for individuals with disabilities in Washtenaw and Livingston counties.

**St. Louis Center,** 16195 Old US-12, Chelsea. (734) 475–8430. Serves adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) in a residential community of group homes with on-site nursing, social work staff, and accommodations for specific dietary needs. Also provides local employment and public education programs and field trips to community events. A day program and respite care is available for adults with I/DD who are not residents. mail or stlong, stlong center, org V

Washtenaw Association for Community Advocacy, 1100 N. Main, ste. 205. (734) 662–1256. Advocacy for people with disabilities, to provide them with choices, opportunities, and support for full inclusion in community life. Assists youths with disabilities, ges 18-26, to transition from K-12 education and children's services to community-based services and supports. Also assists individuals with disabilities to obtain accommodations to navigate the court system, Social Security Disability and Supplemental Security Income, and Medicaid. info@

Washtenaw Learning Disabilities Association. Provides information, resources, and support to individuals with learning disabilities and their families living in Washtenaw County. See website for a list of tutors, many trained in the Orton-Gillingham reading



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#### **FAMILY PLANNING**

Arbor Woman, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright, lobby L, ste. 2200. (734) 994–8863. Pregnancy testing; limited obstetrical ultrasound exams; pregnancy options education; post-abortion and pregnancy loss counseling; educational resources, including safe sleep, labor & delivery, and fertility education; and community resource referrals. Please note: Does not refer or perform abortions. Request an appointment online or by phone; same-day appointments offered. All services free and confidential. Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.–5 p.m. emmaushealthpartners.org/arborwoman

Planned Parenthood, 3100 Professional Dr. (Power Family Health Center,), (734) 973–0710. Ann Arbor West, 2370 W. Stadium, (734) 929–9480. Abortion, birth control (patch, pill, ring, shot, implant, IUD), emergency contraception, gender-affirming hormone therapy, HIV services (testing, PEP, and PrEP), pregnancy testing and planning, STI testing and treatment, HPV and hepatitis B vaccinations, UTI treatment, wellness exams and Pap tests, and sex education programs. Most insurance, Medicaid, and Healthy Michigan Plan accepted; sliding fee scale. Virtual appointments available. ppmi.org

#### **HOSPICE & HOME HEALTH CARE**

Medicare/Medicaid-certified hospice care providers for the terminally ill, as well as hospital-affiliated and nonprofit home health care providers for patients with non-life-threatening illnesses. For nonmedical and in-home facilities, see Seniors, p. 59.

Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley. (888) 992–2273 (referrals and 24/7 caregiver support). Community-based hospice and palliative care services provided wherever a patient calls home. Focused on quality of life, experienced teams of hospice professionals support the whole family to address medical, emotional, and spiritual pain and symptoms of serious



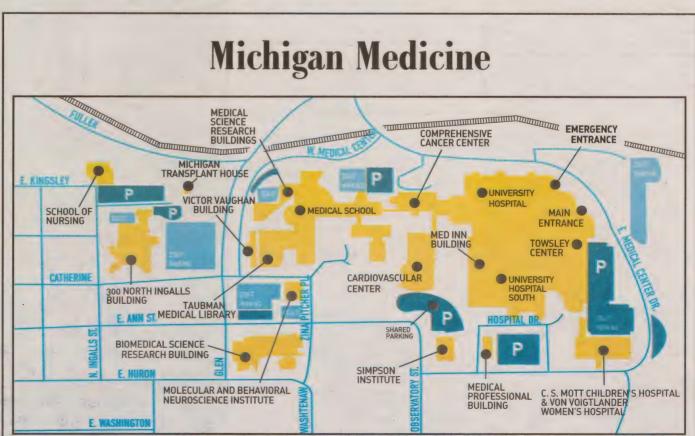
The Rachel Upjohn Building located at the U-M's East Ann Arbor medical campus on Plymouth Rd., houses a wide array of mental health services, among them outpatient psychiatry, substance abuse treatment, the Prechter Bipolar Research Center, and the Eisenberg Family Depression Center.

illness. Round-the-clock support available through 24/7 Caregiver Support Center to help family caregivers confidently care for their loved ones. CHAP accredited. webcontact@arborhospice.org, arborhospice.org V

U-M Health Post-Acute Care Services, 2850 South Industrial. Departments include: **HouseCalls,** (734) 477–7256, a team of nurse practitioners, a care manager, and a pharmacist who provide care to patients who are homebound or have limited mobility; Maternal Infant Health Program, (734) 477-7238, a home visiting program provided to pregnant Medicaid recipients and their babies; Michigan Visiting Nurses, (734) 677-1515, with nurse's aides and rehabilitation therapists serving individuals and families in their homes; Patient Monitoring at Home, (734) 477–7248, a remote service for patients to learn about their illness and manage their health; **Perinatal Home Nursing Program**, (734) 677–1515, providing one-time postpartum visit to mothers and infants after discharge by OB nurses; Sub-Acute Care Rehabilitation Program, (734) 232-3007, offering continuity of care by U-M Health providers during transition and following transfer to a partner rehabilitation facility; and Wheelchair Seating Service, (877) 868-8889, with specialty mobility device serTrinity Health Home Care and Hospice. (734) 343–7500. Nursing, rehabilitation, pain management, medical social workers, certified home health aides, and hospice/palliative care services. trinityhealthathome.org V

#### MENTAL HEALTH

Rehavioral Health Counseling Services (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 926–0155. Licensed social workers and psychologists counsel adults and adolescents. Also limited child, couple, and family indepth assessment and short-term therapy, including substance abuse assessment and treatment. Many insurance and managed care plans accepted. Priority scheduling for patients with all forms of Medicaid. csswashtenaw.org/counseling U-M Psychiatric Programs. Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES), 1500 E. Medical Center Dr., (734) 936–5900 (24 hours). Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: Call or text 988. Outpatient Care, 4250 Plymouth Rd. (Rachel Upjohn Bldg.), (734) 764–0231, (800) 525–5188. Adult Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP), (734) 764–1488. PES provides inpatient screening and hospitalization, treatment recommen-



dations, and referrals to adults, adolescents, and children in crisis or experiencing a psychiatric emergency Outpatient Care, by appointment only, provides evaluation, consultation, medication management, psychotherapy, and/or group therapy for all ages. **PHP**, by referral only, provides intensive psychiatric treatment, including group and skills-based therapies and medication management. medicine umich.

National Alliance on Mental Illness Washtenaw County (NAMI), 1100 N. Main, ste. 201 (NEW Center). (734) 994–6611. Provides education and support for individuals affected by mental health conditions, as well as groups for their families and friends, and for parents of children with suicidal ideation. Works to eradicate mental health stigma and discrimination. Mon., Tues., & Thurs. noon-5 p.m. office@namiwe

Thrive Counseling (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State, ste. 1100. (734) 436–4249. CARF-accredited therapists committed to providing accessible, holistically oriented, and culturally sensitive counseling to children, adults, families, and couples regardless of their ability to pay. hello@thrivecounselinga2.com,

Trinity Health Adolescent Partial Hospitalization Program-Ann Arbor Campus, 5401 McAuley, Ypsilanti. (734) 712-5750. For ages 12-18. Providdiagnostic and treatment services for emotional and behavioral problems that interfere with an adolescent's ability to function at home, school, and in the community. Conditions treated include academic failure, eating disorders, and depression. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. trimityhealthmitrinity-health-adolescent-partial-hospitalization-

Trinity Health IHA Medical Group Psychiatry & Counseling-Ann Arbor Campus, 5401 McAuley (Huron Oaks Bldg.), Ypsilanti. (800) 289–0014, (734) 786-2300. Outpatient psychotherapy for depression, anxiety, and situational adjustment. Psychiatric evaluation and medication management. Treatment for individuals, couples, and families. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. <u>ihacares.com</u> (search for Ann Arbor psychiatry)

**University Center for the Child and Family,** 210 S. Fifth Ave. (734) 615–7853. Provides compassionate and evidence-based mental health services to children, adolescents, parents, and families, includ-ing therapy and testing services. Testing for autism spectrum disorder, ADHD, and learning issues. Free workshops on Parenting Through Separation and Divorce and Parenting Children with ADHD. Applied behavior analysis. Many insurances accepted. Services provided by professional staff, postdoctoral fellows, and graduate-level trainees under close su-

**University Psychological Clinic,** 210 S. Fifth Ave. (734) 615–7853. Provides compassionate and evidence-based mental health services to adults in the community, as well as U-M students, faculty, and staff, to assist with a range of psychological and interpersonal difficulties. Individual, couples, and group therapy (including social anxiety and DBT groups). Testing services to assess adult ADHD and learning issues. Many insurances accepted. Services provided by professional staff, postdoctoral fellows, and graduate-level trainees under close supervision. mad.

Washtenaw County Community Mental Health (WCCMH). (734) 544–3050 or (800) 440–7548. Screening and referral through Health Services Access. Provides specialty services to the severely and persistently mentally ill, adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities, and children with severe emotional disturbances or intellectual/developmental disabilities. Services include medication, case management, specialized counseling, vocational services, respite, and IDDT/co-occurring services (for individuals with mental illness and substance use disorders). Information and referrals for mental health, intellectual/developmental disabilities, serious emotional disturbance, and substance use disorder programs for Medicaid-eligible and uninsured children and adults in Washtenaw County. Additional programs include Project Outreach (PORT: iail diversion and homeless services), and OBRA (nursing home screening and treatment). wash-

The Women's Center of Southeastern Michigan, 1100 Victors Way, ste. 10. (734) 973-6779. Personal counseling for youth and adults 16+ (phone, video, and in person). Virtual services include individual career and financial coaching, mom and infant support group, help with community resources, and women-specific divorce/break-up education and support. Maor insurances plus sliding-scale fees. Office hours Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fri., weekends, and evenings by appointment only. info@ womenscenterse-

#### SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

Unified-Vivent Health, 336 Harriet, Ypsilanti. (734) 572–9355. Medical and nonmedical case mana assistance for people living with HIV/ AIDS. HIV/AIDS education and resources, training, food pantry, STI/HIV and hepatitis C testing, syringe services, overdose prevention. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. preven-

Washtenaw County Health Department Sexual Health Services, 555 Towner, Ypsilanti. (734) 544-6840. Offers free confidential or anonymous HIV testing and counseling. Sexually transmitted infection (STI) testing, diagnosis, and treatment available on sliding fee scale. Partner notification services and PrEP (HIV prevention medication for individuals at high risk), post-exposure prophylaxis for HIV, vaccinations (including Mpox), and more. Call for appointment. Walk-in pregnancy testing available Mon.–Fri. based on nurse availability. Without insurance, \$40 minimum for office visit, but no one will be turned away. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Medicaid accepted. wash

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Huron Valley Ambulance, 1200 State Cir. (734) 971-4420. Emergency medical services throughout Washtenaw County. Nonemergency ambulance available for medically necessary transports. Member Plus ambulance membership program covers out-of-pocket costs for any medically necessary transports.

MedSync Transportation & Services, 2035 Hogback, ste. 103. (734) 646–8846. Personal and shared nonemergency medical transportation throughout Michigan. Same-day service and scheduled runs up to 500 miles (with advance scheduling). Wheelchairaccessible vehicles. Accompaniment services such as grocery shopping, home assistance, or home-sitting for medical appointments. Advance scheduling recommended. 24-hour availability. contactor mediats

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Children's Special Health Care Services, 555 Towner, Ypsilanti. (734) 544–9700. Helps to pay for specialty medical bills and coordinate services for children and some adults with certain chronic medical conditions. Also assists families/individuals in developing a plan of care regarding identified needs, youth are transitioning to young adult hood. 2,700 diagnoses are covered and families of all incomes are eligible, even those with health insur-

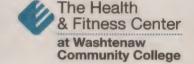
Washtenaw County Health Department, 555 Towner, Ypsilanti. (734) 544–6700. Promotes health and works to prevent disease and injury. Services include vaccinations, HIV and STI testing, blood lead testing, WIC (Women, Infants & Children), Maternal Infant Health Program, Children's Special Health Care Services, hearing and vision screenings. tuberculosis control, community health assessment, My Community Dental Center-Washtenaw, and conultation on controlling infectious disease outbreaks, including animal bites and rabies risk, washte

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Washtenaw Health Project, 555 Towner, Ypsilanti. (734) 544–3030. Helps individuals enroll in health care coverage; assists with Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, Healthy Kids, MIChild, and the U.S. government health care marketplace. Walk-in or by appointment. Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.–4 p.m. (Closed noon–1 p.m.) whp@wash-tenaw.org, washtenawhealth-project.org

#### WOMEN'S HEALTH

Trinity Health Women's Health Center/ Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center, 5320 Elliott, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–5800. Breast care services, bone density testing, diabetes education, incontinence clinic, health classes, fitness assessments, weight management programs, and a health information library. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/ trinity-health-womens-health-center-ann-arbor

U-M Health Rogel Cancer Center Breast Care Center, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 647–8902. Comprehensive diagnosis and care for breast cancer and benign breast problems. <a href="mailto:rogelcancercenter.org/breast-cancer">rogelcancercenter.org/breast-cancer</a>

U-M Health Rogel Cancer Center Breast Imaging, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936–4500. Diagnostic and screening mammography, breast ultrasound, core biopsy, MRI, and other services; services vary depending on location. Four Ann Arbor and one Ypsilanti locations. <a href="mailto:uofmhealth.org/our-locations/comprehensive-cancer-center-breast-imaging">uofmhealth.org/our-locations/comprehensive-cancer-center-breast-imaging</a>

#### **SUPPORT GROUPS**

Ann Arbor Myeloma Support Group. Mary Norat, (734) 645–1713 or Gerry Auth, (734) 930–0339. Patient-led support group including patients, caregivers, and health care professionals. Meets first Tues. of the month, 7–9 p.m. in person at Trinity Health—Ann Arbor, Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center, rm. 2 (5320 Elliott, Ypsilanti), or Zoom. annarbormyelomagroup@imfsupport.org, myeloma.

**ArborEpilepsy.** Online forum for people with epilepsy and the parents and caregivers of people with epilepsy. <u>arborepilepsy@groups.io.</u> <u>groups.io/g/arborepilepsy</u>

**Brain Injury Association of Michigan,** 7305 Grand River, ste. 100, Brighton. (800) 444–6443. *Veterans,* (800) 772–4323. Support group for those affected by

Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor, 2010 Hogback, ste. 3 (Atria Park Business Center). (734) 975–2500. Free in-person, online, and hybrid support services for all people affected by cancer, including family members, friends, and children. Professionally led support groups, educational workshops, cooking and nutrition classes, stress management/exercise classes (yoga, tai chi, Zumba, meditation), social events, and children/teen programs. info@cancersupportannarbor.org, cancersupportannarbor.org V

Gluten-Free Ann Arbor. Support group for people who are eating gluten-free food because of celiac disease or for other reasons. Hosts online discussion, email list, and databases of celiac-aware restaurants, grocery stores, and health care practitioners. Meets occasionally; join email list or Facebook group. gfaa@unixmama.com, glutenfreeannarbor.com

Hemophilia Foundation of Michigan, 1921 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. (734) 544–0015. Social, educational, medical, and support services for individuals with hemophilia, von Willebrand disease, and other bleeding disorders, and their families. Retreats, community events, advocacy, financial assistance, academic scholarships, and medical alert tags. Inperson, virtual, and hybrid programs. <a href="https://mww.hfm@hfmich.org">hfm@hfmich.org</a>, hfmich.org

Michigan Medicine Support Groups. (800) 888–9825. Support and education groups for inpatients and outpatients, and their family members. Groups for heart transplant and LVAD, ALS, amputation, pediatric disorders, infertility, allergies, stroke, HIV, organ transplant, diabetes, pregnancy, newborn loss, gender identity questions, and more.

Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Support Group. For people with MS, their families, friends, and personal assistants working with an attendee. Meets virtually every Mon. 7–8:30 p.m., except for legal holidays. Meetings focus on emotional support and group discussions, and are free and strictly confidential. Please email before attending. <a href="mailto:annarbormsgroup@gmail.com">annarbormsgroup@gmail.com</a>

Pregnancy, Newborn Loss and Perinatal Palliative Care Program (Trinity Health Ann Arbor). (734) 712–0350. Hosts a memorial service on the first Mon. of Oct. & May, 7:30 p.m., in the Trinity Health Ann Arbor Chapel, for anyone who has experienced a miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, or newborn death. All welcome.

Washtenaw County HELP Meeting. Herpes support group chartered by the American Social Health Association. Confidential support, education, and medical advice. Meets first Thurs. on Zoom; email for link. metrodetroit@gmail.com metrodetroithelp.org



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# Seniors & Volunteering

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#### ASSISTED LIVING & NURSING CENTERS

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**B:** Basic care. Includes help with activities of daily living, such as bathing, toileting, feeding, dressing, medication, skin care, and walking.

S: Skilled care. Provided by a licensed health professional such as an RN, LPN, or physical therapist. This may include intravenous feeding and physical therapy, among other things.

D: Dementia care

A: Alzheimer's care

V: Volunteers welcome

Atria Ann Arbor Senior Living, 1901 Plymouth Rd. (734) 741–9500. Atria Senior Management. Age 55+. 72 companion living, studio, and 1- & 2-room suites. Includes 3 meals/day, 24-hour care staff, emergency call response system, supervision of daily living, and weekly house-keeping, laundry service, and activities. Optional medication service. Short-term stays and more extensive care available. Specially trained staff for residents with memory loss. info@atriaseniorliving.com, atriaseniorliving.com B, D, A

Balfour Ann Arbor, 2840 S: Main. (734) 359–3500. 52 studio and 1-bedroom apartments. Assisted living apartments include all meals, housekeeping, and private washer/dryer. Licensed practical nurses on-site 24/7. Private transportation and programs, some specifically for those with Alzheimer's and memory loss. annarborsales@balfourcare.com, balfourcare.com B, S, D, A

Glacier Hills Care and Rehabilitation Center, 1200 Earhart. (734) 769–6410. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Skilled-care facility with long-term nursing and specialized short-stay rehabilitative programs. Physical, occupational, speech, recreational, and aquatic therapists and licensed nurses provide comprehensive rehabilitation services for recovery from acute disease or injury. Continued rehabilitation services available at Glacier Hills outpatient therapy clinic. Offers memory care, dementia care, and a life enrichment center. info@glacierhills.org, glacierhills.org B, S, D, A, V

Glacier Hills (Assisted Living), 1200 Earhart. (734) 764–6410. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Age 62+. Includes 3 meals/day, housekeeping, laundry, activities, scheduled transportation, social worker, and 24-hour nursing staff. Personal care services and specialized programming for physical frailty or memory loss. info@glacierhills.org, glacierhills.org B, S, D, A, V

Hillside Terrace Retirement Community—Assisted Living Garden Community, the Palms Care Community, the Vineyard, and Hillside Memory Care, 1939 Jackson Ave. (734) 761–4451. Age 60+. The Garden Community of Hillside has 49 apartments and offers 3 meals/day, weekly housekeeping, linens and personal laundry, Wi-Fi, free satellite TV, all utilities (except phone), hair salon, library, chapel, daily recreational activities, and weekly shopping trips in a wheelchair-accessible van. Three different levels of care; two medication programs by licensed nurses on-site 24 hours;

and physical, occupational, and speech therapy. The Palms has 16 specialized studios and 1-bedroom apartments with in-house palliative care available. Same amenities as the Gardens; caregiver-resident ratio 1:8. The Vineyard Neighborhood offers 18 studio apartments in a European-style neighborhood with bistro/dining room combination, kitchenette, and living room; for those with mild to moderate dementia. Hillside Memory Care has 24 apartments with 24/7 care. Cats and dogs allowed. tlitz@hillsideterrace.net, hillsideterrace.net B, S, D, A

Optalis Health & Rehabilitation, 4701 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 975–2600. Age 18+. Post-acute medical and rehabilitation services, as well as hospice and respite care. 24-hour emergency response and therapy 7 days/week. Medicare, managed care, and private pay accepted. optalishealthcare.com B, S, D, A, V

Regency at Bluffs Park, 355 Huron View Blvd. (734) 887–8700. Short-term and subacute care, specializing in rehab-to-home services. 71 beds, including 33 private suites and 19 semi-private rooms. Services include IV therapy, dietary and nutritional services, post-surgical care, pain management, and more. Accepts Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, and private pay. bluffspark admissions@cienafacilities.com, regencyatbluffspark.com B, S

**St. Joseph's Village,** 5341 McAuley, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–1600. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Age 55+. 1- & 2- bedroom apartments. Includes 3 meals/day, most utilities, weekly housekeeping, linen services, and 24-hour emergency response. <a href="styloge-beniors.org">styloge-beniors.org</a> B

University Senior Living, 2865 S. Main. (734) 669–3030. Arrow Senior Living. Age 55+. 75 studio & 1-bedroom apartments. Includes 3 meals/day, laundry, housekeeping, personal care, and 24-hour emergency response. Discussion groups, lectures, concerts, involvement with student volunteers from local universities, library, beauty/barber shop, fitness center, and exercise and yoga classes. usseniorliving.com B, D, A, V

#### INDEPENDENT LIVING

This list includes senior apartments that provide no services and entry-level continuum-of-care units that provide minimal services. Management companies noted when pertinent.

All Seasons, 4600 All Seasons Cir. (734) 881–9437. 1- and 2-bedroom apartment homes (156 units), 2-bedroom cottage residences (44 units). Includes 2 meals/day, housekeeping and linen service, group and individual chauffeur service, and 24-hour emergency response monitoring. Pet-friendly with deposit and monthly fee. asaa.sc@allseasonsliving.com, allseasonsannarbor.com

American House Carpenter, 3470 Carpenter, Ypsilanti. (734) 961–4578. Age 55+. 102 efficiencies and 1- & 2-bedrooms with full kitchen and personal alarms. Includes 3 meals/day, housekeeping, hair salon/barber shop, social activities, and programs. Month-to-month leases available. Small pets welcome (some restrictions). carpenter@americanhouse.com,

Balfour Ann Arbor, 2830 S. Main. (734) 359–3500. 100 1- and 2-bedroom apartments with full kitchens. Includes housekeeping, meal plan, private washer/dryer, concierge and transportation services, more than 200 social opportunities, indoor pool, fitness center, and underground garage. Pet-friendly. annarborsales@balfourcare.com, balfourcare.com

**Brookhaven Manor Senior Living Community,** 401 W. Oakbrook. (734) 747–8800. Fourmidable Management. Age 55+. 136 1-



All Seasons (Independent Living) is among a new generation of high-end senior residences that draw residents with elegant public spaces and services such as individual chauffering.

& 2-bedroom apartments with full kitchens, \$3,500—\$4,680/month includes utilities, daily meals in the dining room and café, weekly housekeeping and laundering of bed and bath linens, library, hair salon, fitness center, daily exercise classes, activities, and outings. Complimentary washers and dryers on each floor. Emergency medical response system and third-party home health care on-site. Small pets welcome. Carports available. <a href="mailto:info@brookhavenmanorapartments.com">info@brookhavenmanorapartments.com</a>, brookhavenmanorapartments.com

Carpenter Place, 3400 Carpenter, Ypsilanti. (734) 973–8377. Evolve Communities. Age 62+ and/or disabled. 151 1-bedroom apartments, built 1981 and renovated 2022. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income and includes heat and water. Community room, sunroom, private park, and laundry facilities. One dog or cat 25 lbs. or less allowed with \$300 deposit. carpenterplacemgr@envolvelle.com, carpenterplaceapartments.com

Courthouse Square Apartments, 100 S. Fourth Ave. (734) 995–5511. Redwood. Age 55+. 116 1- and 2-bedroom apartments. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income. Community room, 24-hour emergency response system, library, and laundry. Pets allowed. Nonsmoking.

Cranbrook Tower, 2901 Northbrook. (734) 668–8914. KMG Prestige Inc. Age 62+ or disabled. 202 1- & 2-bedroom apartments, built 1980. Currently a waitlist. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income, including utilities (except phone and cable). Cash card laundry, emergency pull cords. Some pets allowed. <a href="mailto:cranbrook@kmgprestige.com">cranbrook@kmgprestige.com</a>, <a href="mailto:kmgprestige.com">kmg-prestige.com</a> V

Glacier Hills Senior Living Community (The Meadows, the Manor, and the Pavilion Independent Living), 1200 Earhart. (734) 769–6410. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Nonprofit continuing care community. Age 62+. Studios, 1- & 2-bedroom apartments, and 2-bedroom villas. Monthly fees vary and may include 1–3 meals/day, utilities (except phone

and cable), linen and housekeeping service, 24-hour call system, scheduled transportation, and cultural activities. <a href="mailto:info@glacierhills.org">info@glacierhills.org</a>, glacierhills.org V

Hillside Terrace Retirement Community—The Orchard Apartments Independent Living, 1939 Jackson Ave. (734) 761–4451. Age 55+. 4 studio apartments and 5 1-bedroom suites. Includes daily continental breakfast and choice of lunch or dinner, 24-hour emergency response call system with licensed nurse onsite, weekly housekeeping and linens, satellite TV, Wi-Fi, and all utilities (except phone), complimentary carports, storage bins, wellness spand fitness center, hair salon, library, chapel, and biweekly shopping trips. Cats and dogs allowed. tlitz@hillsideterrace.net. hillsideterrace.net

Lurie Terrace, 600 W. Huron St. (734) 665–0695. Ann Arbor Housing Commission. Age 62+. 132 units. High-value studios to 2 bedrooms; \$588–\$1,503/month includes all utilities. Library, coin laundry, and free Wi-Fi (on 8th floor). Nonsmoking campus. pdietrich@a2gov.org, a2gov.org (search for Lurie Terrace)

Parkway Meadows, 2575 Sandalwood Cir. (734) 662–5055. KMG Prestige Inc. Age 62+ or disabled. 210 1- and 2- bedroom apartments and 140 non-age-restricted 1-, 2-, and 3-bedrooms. Outdoor pool, outdoor gym. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income. Currently a waitlist. Pets allowed in senior apartments only, with restrictions. parkway@kmgnrestige.com, kmgnrestige.com

Sequoia Place Elderly Housing, 1131 N. Maple. (734) 669–8840. Samaritas. Age 62+. 55 1-bedroom apartments. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income, including utilities (except phone and cable). Includes computer lab, library, community room & kitchen, and exercise program. Can assist residents in applying for external services, but does not offer care. Pets allowed, with restrictions. fbarr@samaritas.org/senior-living/locations/ann-arbor V

St. Joseph's Village, 5341 McAuley, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–1600. Trinity Health Senior

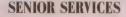
#### Seniors

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Living. Age 55+. Studios and 1- & 2-bedroom apartments. Includes dinner, most utilities, and weekly housekeeping. Laundry facility, library, hair salon, transportation, activities. <u>stjosephsvillageseniors.org</u>

University Commons, 817 Asa Gray. (734) 332–1221. Age 55+. Condominium community with 92 units, including townhouses and villas, offers active participation and involvement for independent adults. Members must have a 4-year college degree. Lectures & concerts onsite, as well as library, fitness room, woodshop, recital hall, and wooded walking paths. Contact a Realtor for information on available units. universitycommons.org

University Senior Living, 2865 S. Main. (734) 205–1606. Arrow Senior Living. Age 55+. 75 studio & 1-bedroom apartments. Includes 3 meals/day, laundry, housekeeping, personal care, and 24-hour emergency response. Also offers discussion groups, lectures, concerts, involvement with student volunteers from local universities, library, beauty/barber shop, fitness center, and exercise and yoga classes. ussenior-living.com



AgeWays (formerly Area Agency on Aging 1-B.) (800) 852–7795. Information about and referrals to services for older adults and persons with disabilities, and their family members. Also answers Medicare and Medicaid questions. jiarvis@ageways.org, ageways.org V

Housing Bureau for Seniors (Michigan Medicine), 3621 S. State St., ste. 710. (734) 998–9339. Housing help for seniors 55+. Services include preventing elderly evictions and foreclosures, counseling about housing options, referrals to community senior services, tax preparation program, and community education and outreach. Annual Senior Living Week has informational workshops, a senior living expo, and tours of senior living communities. Speakers available. housingbureauseniors@umich.edu, med.umich.edu/seniors V

Huron Valley PACE, 2940 Ellsworth, Ypsilanti. (734) 572–5777. Supports seniors 55+ to remain living at home as independently as possible. Services provided on-site include adult day center activities, primary medical care, coordination of care, medications, medical equipment, physical and occupational therapies, transportation, and more. Services also provided in the home. Mon.–Fri. 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. info@hvpace.org, huronvalleypace.org V

Meals on Wheels & Senior Cafe Programs (Office of Community & Economic Development), 3621 S. State, ste. 650. (734) 998–6686. Provides up to 13 healthy, prepared meals per week and other supportive services to homebound adults. There are no age or payment requirements, but a \$3/meal donation is requested. Visit website for more information on eligibility, meal options, and to submit a meal request form. <a href="mailto:aamealsonwheels@umich.edu,michiganmed.org/aamow">aamealsonwheels@umich.edu,michiganmed.org/aamow</a> V

New American Club (NAC) for Older Adults (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State, ste. 200. (734) 769–0209. A psychosocial support program for Russian-speaking seniors born in a country of the former Soviet Union. Provides management and social services, housing referrals, emergency financial assistance, burial services assistance, referrals and resource advocacy, transportation, interpretation and translation services, ESL classes, Meals on Wheels, friendly home visits, kosher congregate meals and food pantry program, short and long-term counseling, and health education. info@jfsannarbor.org. jfsannarbor.org/programs-services/aging-caregiver-support/nac V

Senior Resource Connect (Catholic Social Services). (734) 971–9781, ext. 8. Helps traditional caregivers and community members



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identify at-risk older adults and connect them with resources. Includes an online directory of more than 500 local resources, a self-assessment quiz, a caregiver events calendar, a weekly blog, and training on identifying elder abuse. seniorresourceconnectmi.org

Senior Services (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781. Offers a variety of community-based programs to aid the 60+population, including resource advocacy, assistance navigating Medicaid/Medicare, Senior Volunteers (see RSVP in Volunteer Resources, below), home maintenance and safety services, minor chore and repair services, respite and adult day activities, support for grandparents as parents, and Senior Resource Connect (see above). csswashtenaw.org (click on Senior Services) V

Silver Club Memory Loss Program, 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998-9352. For seniors with memory loss, cognitive impairment, or early stages of Alzheimer's. Mind Works (Wed. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.) provides an environment based on mental exercise, memory techniques, and community engagement. The Elderberry Club (Tues. 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.) is a group of women who come together for discussion, friendship, and creative expression. The Silver Club Enrichment Program (Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.) is a structured, activity-based program for those with moderate memory loss. Activities include fitness, art, gardening, games, and socialization; lunch is included. Prescreening is required for all groups. Sliding scale fee. germedsilverclub@umich.edu, michmed.org/silver-club-memory V

Turner African American Services Council, 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998–7409. Creates partnerships between the community and local health care providers to increase and enhance access to wellness, health education, and health care for diverse and underserved older adults of color. <a href="mailto:info.taasc@umich.edu">info.taasc@umich.edu</a>, umich.edu (search for TAASC)

Turner Senior Wellness Program (Michigan Medicine), 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998–9353. Improves quality of life for older adults and their families by providing health lectures, exercise classes, information about community resources, support groups, technology mentoring, and more. Throughout the building, Gallery 55+ displays art by people age 55+. Telecoil hearing aid loop in main conference room. Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Lunch served Tues. & Fri. noon; \$3 donation for those age 65+; \$5.50 for others. No fees for regular events. See website

for calendar, tswp.info@umich.edu, michmed.org/tswp V

Washtenaw Support Network for Caregivers. (734) 998–9352. Collaborative initiative for anyone who cares for a family member or friend age 60+. Provides caregiver educational programs, caregiver social outings, individualized care-planning consultations, group transportation and respite care during caregiver activities, home chores, and handyman services. Services provided by Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County, Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw County, and University of Michigan Health–Silver Club Memory Programs. All services are free and funded by Exhale, the Family Caregiver Initiative. washtenawcaregivers@umich.edu, michmed.org/washtenawcaregivers

WISE Aging & Caregiver Support Services (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Support for aging individuals and caregivers of aging or ill loved ones. Information, referrals, introductions to facilities and service providers, monthly support groups, and educational workshops. Care management, nutrition services, medical and health support, transportation assistance, social connections, home support and transitions, mental health support, insurance and legal matters, and end-of-life decisions and care. info@jfsannarbor.org/transforming-aging V

WISE Cares (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Caregiver Assessment, Respite, Education & Support (CARES) supports caregivers who care for someone age 60+ who lives in Washtenaw County and helps them recharge, reconnect, and regroup. The caregiver does not have to reside in Washtenaw County. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org

WISE Comfort Line (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Trained volunteers contact older adults to reduce social isolation, identify emerging needs, and brighten their days. Volunteers screen for critical needs; if needed, can refer to the WISE team of social work professionals for follow-up and services. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org/transforming-aging V.

WISE Safety Net (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Case managers provide older adults 8 weeks of support by navigating programs and services to help them better manage at home. Includes connection and assistance with medical services, transportation, and nutrition services. Services provided at no cost. <a href="mailto:info@jfsannarbor.org">info@jfsannarbor.org</a>, <a href="mailto:jfsannarbor.org">jfsannarbor.org</a>, <a href="mailto:jfsannarbor.org">jfsannarbor.org</a>, <a href="mailto:jfsannarbor.org">jfsannarbor.org</a>, <a href="mailto:jfsannarbor.org">jfsannarbor.org</a>,

#### SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Ann Arbor Senior Center, 1320 Baldwin. (734) 794–6250. Brittany Patton, director. Offers community programs and public or private events to empower and engage older adults in meaningful ways. Provides recreational and cultural activities that can improve physical stamina, encourage social engagement, and foster creativity. See website for schedule. Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.–4 p.m. bpatton@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/senior

Elderwise, 2275 Platt. (734) 340–4691. Local nonprofit providing lifelong learning classes with lively discussions and a welcoming atmosphere for over 30 years. Online, in-person, and hybrid classes in art, architecture, film, history, culture, religion, literature, music, nature, the environment, politics, science, technology, lifestyle, wellness, hobbies, theater, field trips, travelogs, and more. Classes \$10–\$15, discounts with membership (\$30/year). Register online or contact for print catalog and registration form. elderwiselearning@gmail.com, elderwiselearning.org V

Mature Ministries, 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 904–0049. Full program of activities for age 60+ interested in contemporary Christian topics, personal growth, and social activities. Lunch and Learn gatherings generally on the 1st Thurs. (catered by FedUp), writing group on the first Thurs., Fri. dinners out, and holiday potlucks. Parish RNs are present for referrals and resources. Six day-long field trips by chartered bus to interesting places, including lunch and discussion of the experiences afterward, and an annual overnight trip to Stratford. mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org, firstpresbyterian.org

New Horizons Senior String Orchestra, 1500 Scio Church Rd. (Westminster Presbyterian Church). Ensemble of amateur string players who gather for the enjoyment of making music. New members welcome. No audition required, but the ability to play two-octave major scales and several fingerboard positions is recommended. Rehearsals Sept.—Apr., most Wed. 1–3 p.m. \$260 fee covers music, room rental, and leadership. Led by E. Dan Long and Gabe Villasurda. <a href="mailto:chilko@aol.com">chilko@aol.com</a>

Newcomers and Neighbors of Ann Arbor. Varied social activities include monthly luncheons, book club, canasta groups, a Wise Women discussion group, and a movie group. Nominal annual dues. <a href="mailto:newcomersa2@gmail.com">newcomersa2@gmail.com</a>, search for Newcomers and Neighbors of Ann Arbor on Facebook

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (U-M), 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998–9351. Volunteer-centered program for people age 50+ who love learning. Lecture series, study groups, social events, trips, and special programs to enhance quality of life. Membership \$35/year (four membership levels available) and ad hoc pricing for all programming. Scholarships available. olli.info@umich.edu, olli-umich.org V

Pittsfield Senior Center, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822–2117. Many scheduled activities for adults 50+, including yoga, tai chi, and cardio drumming classes, monthly book club, flower arranging, senior strolls, archery, euchre, mahjongg, bridge, painting, bingo, creative writing, ballroom dance, tap and line dancing, educational and personal enrichment workshops, social events, and day trips. Annual membership s5 for township residents, \$10 for nonresidents. Mon. 8 a.m.–5 p.m., Tues.–Fri. 8 a.m.–4 p.m. seniors@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/seniors V

U-M Kinesiology Community Programs/ Lifetime Fitness. (734) 647–2708. Designed for seniors but open to all, 9–10 a.m at Briarwood Mall. Mon., Wed., Fri. chair aerobics: Tues. Strength, Stretch, and Balance; and Thurs. Zumba Gold & Strength. All classes are free, donations appreciated. kines.umich.edu/ lifetime-fitness

WISE at the J (Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor), 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 219–5354. A congregate meal program for older adults at the JCC on Mon. 12:30 p.m. and Wed and Fri. at 12:30 p.m. After lunch, there is a fun activity for everyone to enjoy. Suggested \$3 donation for age 60+ and \$5.50 for those under 60. rebeccan@jfsannarbor.org, jccannarbor.org V

#### **VOLUNTEERING RESOURCES**

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781 (press 8 for Seniors). Connects adults 55+ to meaningful volunteer opportunities with local frontline organizations based on their skills, experience, and interests. rsvp@csswashtenaw.org/ csswashtenaw.org/ rsvp

United Way for Southeastern Michigan, 2305 Platt. (734) 971–8200. Connect with more than 350 volunteer opportunities through more than 200 nonprofit organizations in Washtenaw County, and thousands more across the region. liveunited@uwwashtenaw.org, yolunteerwashtenaw.org

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

4-H Youth Programs (MSU Extension Washtenaw County), 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 997–1678. Adult role models help at camp, teach a workshop, lead a club, chaperone an event, lend professional skills, or help at the fair. Offer young people hands-on guidance and real-world experience for an hour, a day, a week, or a year. Submit online form. <a href="msue.washtenaw@county.msu.edu">msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw/washtenaw/county.msu.edu</a>, <a href="msue.washtenaw@county.msu.edu">msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw/washtenaw/county.msu.edu</a>, <a href="msue.washtenaw/washtenaw/washtenaw/washtenaw/county.4">msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw/county.4</a> h

826michigan, 115 E. Liberty (inside Robot Supply & Repair). (734) 761–3463. Offers free creative writing programs to school-age students. Volunteer opportunities include writing-based workshops, field trips, in-school writing projects, retail store staffing, design projects, and more. Day, evening, and weekend shifts available, at the center downtown and in local schools. Must be 18 or older. info@826michigan.org, 826michigan.org/volunteer

A Brighter Way, 124 Pearl, ste. 201 (Centennial Plaza), Ypsilanti. (734) 896–3770. Dedicated to improving the quality of life for returning formerly incarcerated citizens in Washtenaw County. Volunteers assist with events and administrative tasks. <a href="mailto:volunteering@abrighterway.org">volunteering@abrighterway.org</a>, <a href="mailto:abrighterway.org">abrighterway.org</a>, <a href="mailto:abrighterway.org">abrighterway.org</a>,

Ann Arbor Public Schools Partnership Program. (734) 994–2300, ext. 53245. Volunteer

and partnership opportunities for individuals, groups, community organizations, and businesses, including academic and classroom support, events, and more. partners@a2schools.org, a2schools.org/domain/2045

Ann Arbor Summer Festival. (734) 994–5999. Mainstage ushers, greeters at Top of the Park, Festival Footprint Initiative, and Street Team promotion beginning in May. Onsite training for 3-hour shifts. Individuals or teams of 6+ welcome. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old. Team benefits: prizes, tickets, and food/drinks. info@a2sf.org, a2sf.org/volunteer-opportunities

Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Volunteers, 35 Research Dr., ste. 100. (734) 994–4801. Opportunities in concert ushering, office support, and education programs. <a href="mailto:yiching@a2so.com">yiching@a2so.com</a>, a2so.com/support/volunteer

**Arbor Hospice** 2366 Oak Valley. (888) 992–2273. Opportunities range from offering companionship at the bedside, assisting with household chores, providing clerical support, or helping with community events. arborhospice. org/get-involved

Avalon Housing, 1327 Jones, ste. 102. (734) 663–5858. Food pantries: help staff and tenants with pantry setup, food pickup, and cleanup. Seasonal group projects: grounds/garden bed cleanup, installing native plants at Avalon properties. Main office reception: routing phone calls, accepting rent payments, and data entry tasks. avalonhousing.org/volunteer

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southeastern Michigan, 11 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. (734) 975–0933. Provides young people with opportunities and experiences that help them grow socially, emotionally, and academically through a one-to-one mentoring relationship. bbbssoutheastmi.org

**Breakfast at St. Andrew's,** 306 N. Division (St. Andrew's Episcopal Church). (734) 663–0518, ext. 206. Since 1982. Free breakfast provided daily. Volunteers age 14+ set up and serve breakfast, prepare food, and clean. Daily 7:30–8:30 a.m. breakfastatstandrews.org

Children's Literacy Network, 1100 N. Main, ste. 207. (734) 255–3997. Volunteers help children from infancy–12 years and families through various programs, with the goal of literacy by the end of grade 3. Read with Kids pairs a reading mentor with a preschool student, kindergarten student, and first grader. Book-PALS pairs two 2nd graders who "meet" on a tablet, reading books to each other and talking about them. CLN provides books and supplies. caitlin@childrensliteracynetwork.org, childrensliteracynetwork.org

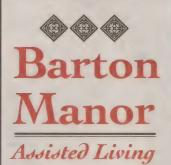
Community Action Network. (734) 994–2985. Volunteer opportunities in 6 underresourced Ann Arbor neighborhoods: assisting with food distributions, academic tutoring for students K–12 (during summer and after school), serving meals to students, and more. volunteers@canwashtenaw.org, canwashtenaw.org

Eversight, 3985 Research Park Dr. (800) 247–7250. Global nonprofit restores sight and prevents blindness through eye donation, corneal transplantation, and vision research. Enables donors and their families to give the gift of sight to patients in need of life-changing cornea transplants. Volunteer opportunities include administrative tasks, outreach activities, public speaking, and more. <a href="mailto:info@eversightvision.org">info@eversightvision.org</a>, eversightvision.org

FedUp (Feed, Educate, Drive) Ministries, 16 S. Washington, Ypsilanti. Food truck service offers free regular community meals in Ann Arbor & Ypsilanti. Kitchen volunteers assist with meal prep, organizing donations, washing dishes, and packaging food in Ypsilanti. Food truck volunteers take and deliver orders at Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti sites. info@fedupministries.org, fedupministries.org

Feonix-Mobiity Rising, 13 N. Washington, ste. 181, Ypsilanti. (734) 259–4125. Trained volunteer drivers provide free or low-cost rides to community members. Volunteers undergo a background check, vehicle insurance and registration check, and training. Also provides online disability training to transportation pro-







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#### **Seniors**

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fessionals to help make all transportation accessible to people with mobility challenges. <u>info@feonix.org</u>, feonix.org/volunteer

**Food Gatherers,** 1 Carrot Way. (734) 761–2796. Volunteer opportunities for individuals, families, and groups at warehouse and community kitchen. <a href="mailto:volunteer@foodgatherers.org">volunteer@foodgatherers.org</a>, foodgatherers.org/volunteer

Foster Grandparent Program (Washtenaw County Office of Community and Economic Development). (734) 544–3040. Senior volunteers age 55+ work with children and youth in day care centers, Head Start programs, schools, and youth facilities throughout Washtenaw County. Volunteers receive a nontaxable stipend (\$4/hour), transportation assistance for program-related activities, meals while on duty, orientation and ongoing training, and recognition. Volunteers must meet low-income guidelines and serve 20 hours/week. <a href="mailto:bow-erssk@washtenaw.org">bow-erssk@washtenaw.org</a>, <a href="mailto:washtenaw.org/782/foster-grandparent-program">washtenaw.org/782/foster-grandparent-program</a>

Friends In Deed, 1196 Ecorse, Ypsilanti. (734) 485–7658. Assists low-income Washtenaw County residents with emergency needs. Volunteer opportunities include answering helpline phones, office tasks, fundraising, special events, furniture delivery, and help with Circles, a mentoring program designed to lift families out of poverty. office@friendsindeedmi.org, friendsindeedmi.org

Gift of Life Michigan, 3861 Research Park Dr. (866) 500–5801. Volunteers help educate the public about organ, eye, and tissue donation by staffing information tables at community events and giving presentations to groups of all sizes. Many volunteers have a personal connection to organ, eye, and tissue donation, but it is not required. Free online training available. info@golm.org, golm.org

Girls on the Run of Southeastern Michigan, 3075 Clark, ste. 101, Ypsilanti. (734) 712–5640. After-school running program for girls and gender-expansive youth in grades 3–6. Volunteer coaches facilitate lessons that blend physical activity with life skill development. Ongoing volunteer opportunities include coaching (Mar.–May and Sept.–Nov.) and 5K support committee (Jan.–May). Other opportunities available throughout the year. info@girlsontherunsemi.org

Home Maintenance and Safety Services (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781 (press 8 for Seniors). Individuals or groups help older adults with seasonal outdoor chores, minor home maintenance and repairs, and safety installations. <a href="mailto:lkrieser@css-washtenaw.org">lkrieser@css-washtenaw.org</a>, csswashtenaw.org

House by the Side of the Road, 2051 S. State. (734) 769–4085. Provides clothing, small household items, bedding, and toys at no cost to Washtenaw County residents in need. Opportunities include tagging and putting out clothes, sorting and putting out household items, folding sheets, sorting toys, etc. Main volunteer hours are Mon.–Fri. 10 a.m.–2 p.m. <a href="housebyroad@gmail.com">housebythesideoftheroad.org</a>

House N2 Home, 5361 McAuley, ste. 1125 (Trinity Health Ann Arbor campus), Ypsilanti. Furnishes apartments and homes for Washtenaw County individuals and families exiting homelessness. Volunteer activities include: picking up, cleaning, and repairing donated items; framing artwork; selecting items for a move; setting up client homes with furnishings,; and baking cookies/making a meal for a client. contactus@housen2home.org, housen2home.org

Jewish Family Services Volunteer Services, 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. JFS provides food pantry access, meal and grocery delivery, refugee resettlement, economic empowerment, aging-in-place services, counseling, transportation, and more. Volunteers may pack groceries in the food pantry,

set up a home for a newly arrived refugee family, make weekly phone calls to older adults, assist in an ESL course, and more. Opportunities available on a weekly, monthly, or one-time basis. <a href="mailto:volunteer@jfsannarbor.org">volunteer@jfsannarbor.org</a>, <a href="mailto:jfsannarbor.org">jfsannarbor.org</a>/volunteer

Meals on Wheels Ann Arbor, 3621 S. State, ste. 650. (734) 998–6686. Volunteers deliver meals in their own vehicles to homebound neighbors, Mon.–Sat. 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Volunteers pick the day and frequency (weekly, biweekly, monthly, substitute) that works best with them. <a href="mailto:ammealsonwheels@umich.edu">ammealsonwheels@umich.edu</a>, michiganmed.org/aamow

Michigan Medicine Friends Gift Shop. (734) 936–5975. Volunteers assist 4 hours/shift as cashiers or stock assistants in U-M Hospital nonprofit gift shops. Free parking, flexible scheduling. No experience required. rlidgard@med.umich.edu, uofmhealth.org/patient-visitor-guide/friends/get-involved

National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, 1169 Oak Valley. (800) 482–1455. National group works to prevent kidney disease and improve the life of those living with it. Volunteers assist with fundraising events, peer mentoring, kids programs, administrative tasks, and outreach. <a href="mailto:hdemosiuk@nkfm.org">hdemosiuk@nkfm.org</a>, nkfm.org

PAVE (Peer Advisor for Veteran Education). Connects incoming student veterans with veteran peers who provide support, help them navigate college life, identify challenges, and provide referrals to resources on- or off-campus. <a href="mailto:pave.info@umich.edu">pave.info@umich.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:msspan.org/pave">msspan.org/pave</a>

Project Grow Community Gardens, PO Box 130293, AA 48113. (734) 996–3169. Provides the space, education, and inspiration to make organic gardening accessible for all. Volunteer opportunities available for the Compost Education Center, seed share, plant sale, tomato tasting, classes, and more. info@projectgrowgardens.org, projectgrowgardens.org

SafeHouse Center, 4100 Clark. (734) 995–5444 (translation available). 24-hour sexual assault and domestic violence response teams, confidential crisis counseling, legal advocacy, shelter, and drop-in support groups. Core volunteer training Wed., Sept. 4; next training Feb. 2025. Opportunities include response team, shelter facility care, helpline, children's program, and more. info@safehousecenter.org, safehousecenter.org

Shelter Association of Washtenaw County, 312 W. Huron St. (Robert J. Delonis Center). (734) 304–0469. Individual and group volunteers visit with clients, serve meals, assist with Chess Club, conduct workshops, teach cooking, work in raised bed gardens, support operations staff, drive the shelter van to take clients to appointments, provide online support, host events, provide entertainment, and help teach clients new skills. shelterassociation@washtenaw.org, annarhorshelter.org

SOS Community Services, 101 S. Huron St., Ypsilanti. (734) 485–8730. Opportunities include helping at the food pantry, assisting in the office, volunteering at special events, and more. volunteer@soscs.org, soscs.org/volunteer

Ten Thousand Villages, 303 S. Main. (734) 332–1270. Nonprofit fair-trade shop sells hand-crafted items made by artisans in low-income countries. Volunteers work as sales associates and inventory helpers. <a href="mailto:annarbor@tenthousandvillages.com/">annarbor@tenthousandvillages.com/</a> tenthousandvillages.com/

UMS Ambassadors. Volunteer organization that supports the mission of the University Musical Society. Members work to increase awareness of UMS by assisting with performing arts-related community events, including ushering at school day performances, hosting community dance workshops, assisting staff with projects, and other activities. <a href="mailto:sarabill@umich.edu">sarabill@umich.edu</a>, ums.org/about/volunteer

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996–9622. Several on- and off-site volunteer programs for youth and adults, including the Youth Volunteer Corps, Eco Leaders, and more. <a href="volunteer@annarborymca.org">volunteer@annarborymca.org</a>, <a href="annarborymca.org/about-your-ymca/volunteering">annarborymca.org/about-your-ymca/volunteering</a>

# Universities, Libraries, Museums & Galleries

#### **UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

2024-2025 An	n Arbor Ac	ademic Calendar
Fall 2024	Aug. 26 Nov. 27–29 Dec. 18 Dec. 15	Classes begin Thanksgiving recess Exams end Commencement
Winter 2025	Jan. 8 May 1 May 2–4	Classes begin Exams end Commencement
Spring 2025	May 6	Classes begin (Spring half term & Summer full term)
	June 24	Exams end (Spring half term)
Summer 2025	June 26	Classes begin (Summer half term)
	Aug. 15	Exams end

Calendars may differ for these schools: business, dentistry, law, medicine, and social work. See re-unich

University operator	(734) 764–1817
Campus information center	(734) 764-4636
Alumni association	(800) 847-4764
U-M Health Service	(734) 936–6641
Website	umich edu
Email	info@umich.edu
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The U-M has 19 schools and colleges, 15 of which offer undergraduate degree programs. For information or application materials, contact the undergraduate admissions office (1220 Student Activities Bldg.

#### 2024 U-M FOOTBALL **SCHEDULE**

Home games at Michigan Stadium (capacity 107,601). All games are expected to be televised. Wheelchair-accessible season tickets available. For ticket information and purchase go to mgo-Ticket office: (866) 296-6849 or email

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Aug. 31	FRESNO STATE
Sept. 7	TEXAS
Sept. 14	ARKANSAS STATE
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Sept. 28	MINNESOTA
	at Washington
Oct. 19	at Illinois
Oct. 26	MICHIGAN STATE
Nov. 2	OREGON
Nov. 9	at Indiana
Nov. 23	NORTHWESTERN
Nov. 30	at Ohio State
Dec. 7.Big Ten	Championship Game
	at Indianapolis



515 E. Jefferson, 48109; 734–764–7433; admissions, umich.edu). There were 98,400 applicants for the freshman class of 2024-25, a 13 percent increase from the previous year. To enroll for a graduate degree in the liberal arts, contact the Horace H. Rackham Graduate School (915 E. Washington, 48109; 734–764–8129; rackham.umich.edu).

Tuition and fees for 1st-year undergraduates in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (LSA) for 2024–2025 are estimated to be \$17,736 for Michigan residents and \$60,946 for nonresidents. The Go Blue Guarantee offers free tuition to all in-state students with a family income of \$75,000 or less and assets below \$75,000. Tuition varies with program and class status; call the registrar at (734) 647–3507 for more information. For questions regarding residency, call (734) 764-1400. For graduate program tuition and fees, contact individual programs or schools. Nondegree classes are available at half cost to people age 65+.

For information on attending undergraduate classes without enrolling, call the undergraduate admissions office, (734) 764–7433, or go to admissions.umich.edu/apply/other-applicants/

Course catalogs for schools and colleges are available online; for the LSA Course Guide, go to leadure. A complete schedule of all U-M classes is at

Tours are conducted throughout the year from the Huetwell Visitors Center in the Student Activities

Washtenaw Community College has more than 20,000 students pursuing more than 130 different degrees and certificates.

Bldg. (515 E. Jefferson). Call (734) 647-5692 for hours. Small-group information sessions are hosted select weekdays by the undergraduate admissions office. For information and reservations, call (734) 647-5692 or go to admissions.umich.edu/visitin Register three weeks in advance. For a self-guided tour, pick up a brochure at the visitors center.

The U-M employs more than 56,000 people (including Michigan Medicine and Dearborn and Flint campuses). Job openings are listed online and updated daily. Apply online at careers umich edu

#### **CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY**

2024-2025 Academic Calendar Fall 2024

Aug. 26 Classes begin

	Dec. 15	Commencemen
Spring 2025	Jan. 6 May 4	Classes begin Classes end,

May 12-Aug. 17 (Varying lengths between 8-14 week courses)

University operator & Admissions... (734) 995-7300 Address . 4090 Geddes, 48105 In the face of financial hardships, Concordia—a private liberal arts university affiliated with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod-will make significant adjustments to the academic and athletic programs offered on the Ann Arbor campus at the end of the 2024-25 academic year. Four undergraduate and three graduate programs will remain on campus, while the remaining academic programs will transition online through Concordia University-Wisconsin. All athletic programs will also be discontinued. In the 2025-26 academic year, Concordia students may either complete their degrees online or transfer to the Wisconsin campus. For a complete list of programs offered during the 2024–25 academic year, visit cuaa.edu/academics/ To learn more about the future of Concordia's academic programs, visit: blog.cuaa.edu/

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Fall 2024	Aug. 26	Classes begin
	Dec. 13	Exams end
	Dec. 14	Commencement
Winter 2025	Jan. 6	Classes begin
	Apr. 25	Exams end
	Apr. 27	Commencement
Summer 2025	May 5	Classes begin
	Aug. 10	Exams end
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diversity, and commitment to applied education. For **employment information**, call the human resources office, (734) 487–3430, or go to <u>emich.edu/hr</u>.

#### 2024 EMU FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Home games at Rynearson Stadium (capacity 30,200). For ticket information and purchase, go to <a href="mailto:emueagles.com/tickets">emueagles.com/tickets</a>. Ticket office: (734) 487–3669.

Aug. 31	at UMass
Sept. 7	at Washington
Sept. 14	JACKSONVILLE STATE
Sept. 21	SAINT FRANCIS
Sept. 28	at Kent State
Oct. 12	MIAMI
Oct. 19	.CENTRAL MICHIGAN
Oct. 26	at Akron
Nov. 2	TOLEDO
Nov. 13	at Ohio
Nov. 20	BUFFALO
Nov. 30	at Western Michigan
Dec. 7 MAC	Championship at Detroit

#### WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2024-2025 Academic Calendar

Fall 2024	Aug. 26 Dec. 15	Classes begin Classes end, Commencement		
Winter 2025	Jan. 13 May 5	Semester begins Semester ends		
Summer 2025	Apr. 27 May 12 Aug. 4	Commencement Semester begins Semester ends		
Main campus	_	(734) 973–3300		
Student Welcome Center (734) 973–3543				
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In addition to its main campus, WCC operates community centers and programs focused on college and career readiness serving Ypsilanti residents. **Tuition** is \$99/credit hour for students who live or work in Washtenaw County, and free for county residents age 65+. Day, night, weekend, and online classes. **Job openings** are listed online at <a href="jobs.wccnet.edu">jobs.wccnet.edu</a>.



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#### **PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

Ann Arbor District Library, 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Downtown library). 3090 E. Eisenhower (Malletts Creek branch). 2359 Oak Valley (Pittsfield branch). 3333 Traverwood (Traverwood branch). 2503 Jackson Ave. (Westgate branch). (734) 327–4200. Circulates materials for all ages to Library cardholders, including books, music, movies, magazines, art prints, board games, puzzles, science, art, home & music tools, streaming movies, downloadable music, and more. Wi-Fi, print & digital resources, and public meeting spaces are available at no charge. Online and inperson events and exhibits for youth, teens, adults, and families, aadl ore V

Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Print Disabled, 343 S. Fifth Ave. (AADL Downtown). (734) 327–4224. For people of all ages who are unable to read or use standard-print materials due to a temporary or permanent disability. Audiobook players, books, magazines, and videos in downloadable, USB cartridge, large print, and Braille formats are mailed and returned via the USPS at no charge. Apply for services by phone or email. Daily 10 a.m.—8 p.m. wlbpd@aadl.org, wlbpd.aadl.org

#### OTHER LIBRARIES

Ford Presidential Library, 1000 Beal. (734) 205–0555. Archival collections of Gerald R. Ford's presidential, vice-presidential, and congressional papers,

including his Warren Commission files. Visitors can browse lobby exhibits, see a re-creation of President Ford's office, and attend special events. Researchers welcome. The Library is also available to rent for private events. Mon.–Fri. 8:45 a.m.–4:45 p.m. Closed on federal holidays. ford.library@nara.gov, fordlibrary-

Richard W. Bailey Library, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. (WCC Gunder Myran Bldg.). (734) 973–3429. Print & electronic books, journals, and media items including streaming videos and DVDs. Easy reading books for adults with low reading levels and international students. Children's literature collection. Books may be checked out by general public (with a free library card); other materials for public use in the library only. wccnet.edu/resources/library

#### **SELECTED U-M LIBRARIES**

Everyone in the community can attend exhibits and events and use physical resources on site. For more information visit lib.umich.edu/services-guests

Art, Architecture & Engineering Library, 2281 Bonisteel, in the Duderstadt Bldg. (734) 647–5747. Holds one of the nation's largest and richest technology collections. Its art resources include a large image collection, architectural drawings, photographs, and artists' books. Comics and graphic novels span various languages. aael.circ@umich.edu. lib.umich.

**Bentley Historical Library,** 1150 Beal. (734) 764–3482. The Bentley collects materials from the state of

Michigan and is the official archive of the University of Michigan. More than two centuries of history is preserved at the Bentley, making it one of the largest collections of materials involving Michigan's people and organizations. The Bentley is open to the public by appointment, and staff are always available to help users find what they need, bentley unich edu.

users find what they need. <u>bentley.umich.edu</u>
Clements Library, 909 South University. (734) 764–2347. Original resources for American history and culture from the 15th through the 19th century, including books, graphics, manuscripts, and maps. Research hours: Mon.—Wed. 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Fri. p. a.m.—4:30 p.m. Exhibit hours: Mon.—Fri. noon—4 p.m. <u>clements.library@umich.edu</u>,

Fine Arts Library, 855 South University (Tappan Hall), 2nd fl. (734) 764–5405. Serves students and faculty in the History of Art Department and supports the research and curatorial functions of the U-M Museum of Art and the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology. Also serves the university community and the public in the study of art history and the visual arts. finearts-library@umich.edu, lib.umich.edu/fine-arts-library

Hatcher Library, 913 South University, on the Diag. (734) 764–0401. Holds U-M's primary research collection for the humanities and social sciences, with millions of titles in several hundred languages. Home to the Asia Library, Papyrology Collection, and Special Collections Research Center, as well as the Clark Library for maps, government information, and data services. Exhibit venues and events are free and open to the public. circservices@umich.edu, lib.umich.

Music Library, 1100 Baits (Earl V. Moore Bldg.), 3rd fl. (734) 764–2512. Houses one of the nation's largest music collections, including books, scores, periodicals, sound & video recordings, and special materials. music.library@umich.edu, lib.umich.edu/

Shapiro Library, 919 South University. (734) 764–7058. Holds science books, a career collection, leisure reading materials, and research & technology equipment. The Askwith Media Library carries thousands of film and television titles in a variety of formats: DVD, Blu-ray, VHS, and 16 millimeter. The Clark Commons on the third floor has a variety of comfortable study spots. Bert's Café, on the first floor, offers coffee, lunch, and snacks. circservices@umich.edu/locations-and-hours/

U-M Law Library, 801 Monroe, Law Quad. (734) 764–9324. The Law Library collection includes over one million print and digital volumes covering U.S., international, and foreign law, and provides a variety of services including legal research reference support. michigan.law.umich.edu/law-library



The U-M Women's and Gender Studies Department and Institute for Research on Women and Gender host two exhibits per year in the main lobby of Lane Hall (Galleries).

#### **MUSEUMS**

African American Cultural & Historical Museum of Washtenaw County, 3261 Lohr. (734) 761–1717. The AACHM offers educational programs, exhibits, and Underground Railroad bus tours and talks. Closed for renovation until fall 2024; normal hours

Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, 220 E. Ann. (734) 995-5439. Works to inspire curiosity, exploration. and respect for STEM and the natural world with more than 250 interactive exhibits and preschool, family, and adult programming. Attracts more than 300,000 visitors annually, and with Leslie Science & Nature Center offers field trip and outreach programming for schools, libraries, and communities state-wide and around the world. Check website for current hours and details regarding memberships, scholarships, and EBT/WIC/SNAP pricing. m

Argus Museum, 525 W. William (Argus Bldg.) (313) 499–0551. Features products manufactured by the Argus Camera Company and showcases unique collections. Housed in the Argus I Building, one of the company's manufacturing facili-ties, the museum hosts photography exhibitions, group tours, meetings, and an international fall conference. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; also open for special events or by appointment. Free, but donations appreciated. director@argusmuseum.org, argusmuseum.org V

Cobblestone Farm Museum, 2781 Packard. (734) 794–7120. The farmhouse museum recreates mid-19th-century rural life in Washtenaw County with living history days throughout the year. A city owned historic district, the museum is maintained by the Cobblestone Farm Association, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Open by appointment year-round and the 3rd Sunday of each month. Admission is free. although donations are appreciated to help maintain the museum collection. cfinfo@a2gov.org, cobblestonefarm.org, a2gov.org/cobblestone V

Kempf House Museum, 312 S. Division. (734) 994-4898. This 1853 Greek Revival house, listed in the National Register of Historic Places, was home to the German-American Kempf family from 1888 to 1953. Now managed by a volunteer non-profit board, it is furnished with Victorian antiques and many of the Kempfs' treasures, including Ann Arbor's first concert grand piano, an 1877 Steinway. The museum offers exhibits of period domestic life, open houses on select Sundays, Valentine's Day teas, and a Wednesday noon lecture series in spring and fall. Guided tours by appointment (usually with a few days notice). kempf-housemuseum@gmail.com.kempfhousemuseum.org V

Museum on Main Street (Washtenaw County Historical Society), 500 N. Main, corner of Beakes & E. Kingsley. (734) 662–9092. Rotating exhibits in a historic house, featuring stories of early Washtenaw County life. Sat. & Sun. noon-4 p.m. wchs-500@ ritech.net, washtenawhistory.org V

Parker Mill, 4650 Geddes. (734) 971-6337. Countyowned restored 1873 gristmill with its original milling machinery. The surrounding 45-acre park also has one of the area's few remaining log cabins. The mill is open for public tours on select Sundays in Sept. & Oct.; private tours for school, civic, and community groups available by appointment May-Oct. Free washtenaw.org/602/parker-mill-county-park V
U-M Detroit Observatory, 1398 E. Ann. (734)

763-2230. Built in 1854, this historic observatory is the oldest research building on the University of Michigan campus. Visitors have the opportunity to observe the sky using historic telescopes, as well as attend lectures and events. Scheduled events are free and open to the public with advance registration.

U-M Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, 434 S. State (public entrance on Maynard). (734) 764–9304. Houses a permanent collection of more than 100,000 artifacts from ancient Greece and Rome, dynastic and Roman Egypt, and the Middle East. Highlights include ancient textiles, glass, pottery, jewelry, so ture, and artifacts of daily life. The Kelsey offers free public tours and events throughout the year, both in-person and virtually. More information and a schedule of events on the museum's website. Tues, Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Mon. and U-M holidays. Free admission. kelsey-

muse@umich.edu, Isa.umich.edu/kelsey V U-M Museum of Art, 525 S. State. (734) 764–0395. A reinvigorated museum for the times we live in.' Works from contemporary artists, alongside objects from Asian, African, and Western traditions. Free. Tues. & Wed. 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Thurs. & Fri. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Closed Mon. umma.

U-M Museum of Natural History, 1105 North University. (734) 764–0478. The U-M Museum of Natural History includes exhibits that explore the natural world from molecules to dinosaurs, a planetarium, public labs, and opportunities to meet real scientists. Tues.—Sun. 10 a.m.—4 p.m. Daily 10 a.m.—5 p.m. in July & Aug. Free. ummnh.info@

**U-M Sindecuse Museum of Dentistry**, 1011 North University (Kellogg Bldg., School of Dentistry). (734) 763–0767. History of dentistry exhibitions drawn from the museum's collections, dentalmuse um@umich.edu, sindecusemuseum.org

#### **GALLERIES**

Nonprofit galleries only

A2AC Gallery (Ann Arbor Art Center), 117 W Liberty. (734) 994–8004. Art exhibits year-round in multiple spaces, with high-end local art for sale at the A2AC Shop. Offers a full curriculum of art classes Mon.–Fri. 10 a.m.–7 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun 11 a.m.–4 p.m. annarborartcenter.org

Amster Gallery, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Center). (734) 971-0990. Visual arts exhibits featuring both amateur and professional local, national, and international artists. Artwork available for purchase. Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-3

CultureVerse Gallery, 309 S. Main. In-person and virtual exhibits of contemporary art by local, national and international artists, as well as students. Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. info@cultureverse.org, cultureverse.org
Gallery 55+, 2401 Plymouth Rd. (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998-9353. Exhibits twodimensional art by artists age 55 and older. Four shows per year by two or more artists include an informal reception where artists speak. Interested artists and/or volunteer committee members are encouraged to contact Turner. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m medicine. pt/geriatrics-

Gifts of Art Program at Michigan Medicine, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936-2787. Nine galleries and a permanent collection in the U-M Hospitals offer diverse exhibits by regional, national, and international artists. giftsofart@med.umich.edu, med

Gutman Gallery, 118 N. Fourth Ave. (734) 662-3382. Rotating exhibits by members of the Guild of Artists & Artisans. Pop-up exhibits every Sat. include work by nonmembers. Gallery shop features local art available for purchase. Wed.-Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Hatcher Library, U-M Special Exhibit Spaces, 913 South University. (734) 764–0401. Clark Library, 2nd fl.: Artwork, maps, and other materials that provide perspectives on the history, geography, and cultures of the world. Hatcher Gallery and Hatcher Gallery Exhibit Room, rm. 100: Event and exhibit space with items from the library's permanent collection. All exhibits and events are free and open to the

Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (734) 769-2999. An intimate performing arts venue and visual arts gallery in a historic home, offering performances in classical, jazz, experimental, cabaret, world, and experimental music. kch@kerrytown-, kerrytownconcerthouse.com

**Kreft Center Gallery**, 4090 Geddes (Concordia University). (734) 995–7537. Rotating exhibits by students and local, national, and international artists. Mon.-Fri. noon-4 p.m. Closed in summer. cuaa.edu/

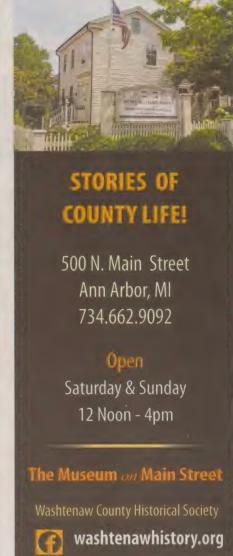
U-M Gallery in the Duderstadt Center, 2281 Bonisteel, ste. 1019. (734) 763-0606. Works by U-M students, faculty, and staff in media ranging from tra-ditional to cutting-edge, 2- or 3-dimensional, from art to computer-based interactive displays. Primarily open during the school year. Tues.-Fri. & Sun. noon-6 p.m. See website for special exhibit hours.

U-M Institute for the Humanities Gallery, 202 S. Thayer, ste. 1111. (734) 936-3518. "A unique meeting place for the exchange and interchange of ideas." Exhibitions feature national, international, and regional artists in all media, including installation, photography, painting, and video. Each serves as a starting point for bringing new perspectives and actively engaging the community with the humanities. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. humin@umich.edu, lsa.

**U-M Lane Hall Gallery,** 204 S. State. (734) 764–9537. The Women's and Gender Studies Department and the Institute for Research on Women and Gender host two exhibits per year, broadly related to issues of women and gender, in the main lobby of Lane Hall. Exhibits available for public viewing Mon.-Fri. 9

**U-M Michigan League Galleries**, 911 North University. (734) 763–5900. Lobby and Hallway Gallery exhibits works by community artists. Daily 7 a.m.-11 p.m. campusinvolvement.umich.edu/article/

U-M Stamps Gallery, 201 S. Division. (734) 936-0671. Contemporary art gallery with exhibits throughout the year from national and international artists working in a wide variety of media, including installations, digital art, and performance art, as well as juried exhibits of student artwork, lectures, and workshops. stamps.umich.edu/







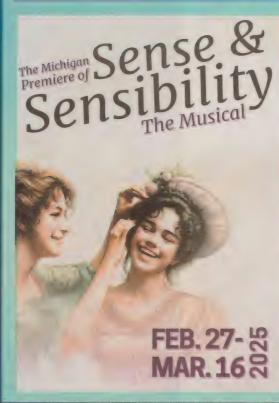
The U-M's James and Anne Duderstadt Center Gallery hosts rotating shows of work by "a wide range of creative talents from across the University," including this exhibit by local artist Richard Moizio.

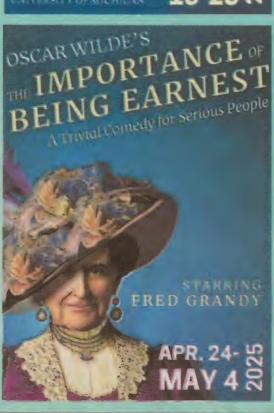
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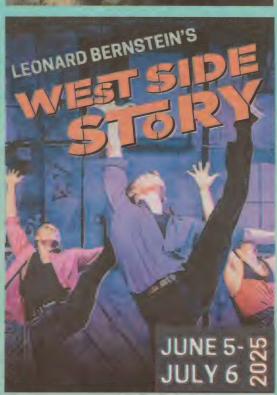














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### Entertainment

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#### **ANNUAL EVENTS**

Highlights of Ann Arbor's yearly calendar. For comprehensive current events, check Events on annurborobserver.com. Note: This listing spans two years—always check the year as well as the date.

Dawn Farm Jamboree, 6633 Stony Creek. (734) 485–8725. Family-friendly event with activities for all ages: music and entertainment, live and silent auctions, children's games and activities, hayrides, farm animals, pumpkin patch, and local food. All proceeds support Dawn Farm's scholarship fund for people with addictions. Free admission. Sept. 8, 2024. donation@dawnfarm.org, dawnfarm.org V

Green Fair, downtown Main. (734) 794–6430, ext. 43725. Activities and exhibitors with a focus on sustainability and climate action. Sept. 20, 2024, 5–8 p.m. sustainability@a2gov.org,a2gov.org/greenfair V

Apples and Honey, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Center). (734) 971–0990. Annual family event celebrating the Jewish fall holidays of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and Simchat Torah. Hands-on crafts, games, and inflatables; snacks, food, and baked goods for purchase; and more. Apple and honey tasting. Open to all. September 15, 2024.

A2CAF: Small + Indie Press, 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Downtown Library). Free, one-day celebration of small press comics publishing. Exhibitions, workshops, panel discussions, and signings. Note: Due to the content of many independently published books, this event is intended for a teen and adult audience. Offshoot of Ann Arbor Comic Arts Festival (A2CAF; see below). Oct. 5, 2024. aadl.org/a2cafsip V

Ann Arbor Antiquarian Book Fair, 530 S. State (Michigan Union ballroom). Jay Platt, (734) 995–1891. 30 book dealers sell first editions, old and collectible books, children's books, Americana, prints, and more. Oct. 13, 2024. jplatt@provide.net, annarborbooktair.com V

Edgefest, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (Kerrytown Concert House) and other locations. (734) 769–2999. One of North America's premier festivals for avant-garde and improvisational music, featuring jazz and experimental new music. Oct. 16–19, 2024. kch@kerry-



The U-M's Ingalls Mall lights up in June and July for the Ann Arbor Summer Festival's Top of the Park (Annual Events).

townconcerthouse.com, kerrytownconcerthouse.com/edgefest

Ann Arbor Jewish Book Festival, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Center). (734) 971–0990. In-person presentations, virtual author talks, and lunch-and-learns by national and international authors on a variety of topics. Some events are off-site. Oct. 27–Nov. 21, 2024. jccamarhor ore/book-festival

Ann Arbor Polish Film Festival, 603 E. Liberty (Michigan Theater); 1533 Broadway. Founded in 1993, this juried competition showcases new independent Polish movies in all genres, including animation, documentaries, and short films, as well as a children's program. Oct. 31–Nov. 2, 2024. pct. annurbor gmail.com, annurbor polishfilmjestival.

Michigan A Cappella Festival (MACFest). A show-case for all 15 U-M a cappella groups. Tickets \$10 at the door. November 2024; see Facebook page for updates. facebook.com/michiganacappella

Ann Arbor Folk Festival, 825 North University (Hill Auditorium). (734) 761–1800. Tickets: (734) 763–8587. Two evenings of concerts of roots and acoustic music to benefit the Ark (see Live Music). Features well-known acts along with musicians on the rise. Jan. 24 & 25, 2025. feedback@theark.org, theark.org/folk-festival V

The Ark's Storytelling Festival, 316 S. Main. (734) 761–1800. International, national, and regional story-

tellers. Feb. 21–23, 2025. Fri. & Sat. evening (aimed at adults) and Sun. 1 p.m. (aimed at kids). Feedback @ theark.org, theark.org

Ann Arbor Film Festival, 603 E. Liberty (Michigan Theater); PO Box 8232, AA 48107. (734) 995–5356. Founded in 1963, the longest-running independent and experimental film series in North America celebrates film as art with screenings of more than 180 films of all lengths and genres. Also juried competitions, panels, workshops, and multimedia installations. Occurs virtually as well as in person at the Michigan Theater and U-M's North Quad Space 2435. Mar. 25–30, 2025. info@aafilmfest.org, autimfest.org V

Con Ja Nai, 812 Washington (Modern Languages Bldg.). Japanese animation and pop culture convention run by Animania, the U-M Japanese Animation Film Society, one of the oldest university anime clubs in the U.S. Film screenings, musical performances panel talks, and vendors. Spring 2025; see website for exact dates. Chair @ conjanal.org. Conjanal.org

Wine, Women, and Song, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (Kerrytown Concert House). (734) 769–2999. Local, notable singer-actresses perform Broadway show tunes, jazz standards, folk songs, and choreographed arrangements of pop favorites. Wine included in admission. Spring 2025; exact dates TBA. kch@kerrytownconcerthouse.com. kerrytownconcerthouse.com

FoolMoon & FestiFools. FoolMoon, a community-created public art celebration featuring hand-made luminary sculptures. FestiFools, a public art parade down Main St. featuring huge papier-māché puppets around an annual theme. FoolMoon: April 4, 2025, dusk-midnight. FestiFools: April 6, 2025, 4 p.m. joolie@umich.edu V

Hash Bash, U-M Diag. An Ann Arbor tradition since 1972, a celebration of cannabis and advocacy for reform of marijuana laws. The simultaneous Monroe St. Fair features live music, vendors, food, and more. First weekend of April. hash-bash com

Dawn Farm Ride for Recovery, 6633 Stony Creek. (734) 485–8725. Family fun and fitness event with four bike rides to choose from, a run/walk, and a Recovery Celebration lunch. All proceeds support Dawn Farm's scholarship fund for people with addictions. 2025 date TBA; typically held in April. Indeformation was a daynaming dawnfarm.org. dawnfarmideformatic very a dawnfarm.org.

Earth Day Festival, 1831 Traver (Leslie Science & Nature Center). (734) 995–5439. Free, family-friendly environmental celebration with displays from local nonprofits; live entertainment; hands-on activities; presentations on wind energy, water, green building, and sustainable agriculture; and more. Participants are encouraged to bring reusable water bottles to this zero-waste event. April 2025; exact date TBA. V

Ann Arbor Jewish Film Festival, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Center). (734) 971–0990. Showcases films that embrace Jewish life socially, culturally, ethically, and spiritually, and that inspire engagement with legacy and heritage. 2025 dates TBA; typically held in May. jecannarbor.org/



The Rolling Sculpture Car Show parks in front of the Ann Arbor Art Center (and other downtown businesses) in July.



#### **Entertainment**

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Ann Arbor Creativity and Making Expo (AACME), 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Downtown Library). Free family-friendly showcase of local invention, creativity, and resourcefulness. Exhibits include robotics, radio, rocketry, machines, tools, STEAM & STEM projects, whimsical creations, participatory activities, and more. May 2025; exact date TBA. and org/macme V

Huron River Day, 3000 Fuller (Gallup Park). (734) 794–6240. Free, family-friendly river activities, including exhibits, live music, food vendors, fishing, nature walks, live animals from Leslie Science & Nature Center, and a children's scavenger hunt. Also discounted canoe and kayak rentals (\$5, or free if you bike to the event). May 2025; exact date TBA. algorous May 2025; exact date TBA.

Third Place MusicFest. Four-day festival in multiple venues in downtown Ann Arbor featuring a diverse array of musicians, founded on the principle that concerts should be "radically welcoming, accessible, and inclusive." May 2025; exact dates TBA. thirdplace-concertseries & grand com, thirdplacemusic ore

Sonic Lunch, 310 S. Division (Liberty Plaza). Free, all-ages summer concerts presented by the Bank of Ann Arbor. A different band performs each week; many are regional, and some are national or international. Lunch from a local vendor available for purchase. *Memorial Day-Labor Day, Thurs.* 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. soniclunch.com

A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Week. (734) 794–6430, ext. 43725. Celebrates the City of Ann Arbor's plan to achieve a just transition to community-wide carbon neutrality by 2030 with classes, open houses, and celebrations. Early June 2025; exact dates TBA. sustainability@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/a2zeroweek V

Japan Week. Free Japan-related events at venues throughout downtown, including performances, art demonstrations, film screenings, cooking workshops, and more. Kid- and family-friendly. Sponsored by the U-M Center for Japanese Studies. 2025 dates TBA; typically held in June. ii.umich.edu/cjs/news-events/

Ann Arbor Comic Arts Festival (A2CAF), 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Downtown Library). Free, two-day celebration of comics and graphic novels and their fandoms. Workshops, art activities, live music, and panel discussions. *June 2025; exact dates TBA*. and ore/a2cat V

Cinetopia Film Festival. (734) 668–8397. Founded in 2011, this 10-day festival features dozens of films, including many Michigan premieres, screened at the Michigan and State theaters. Includes narrative feature-length films and documentaries that recently premiered at international festivals such as Sundance and Berlin. In collaboration with the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, presents free outdoor screenings of recent and classic films at Top of the Park. June 2025; exact dates TBA. info@marquee-arts.org, murquee-arts.org/cinetopia V

Ya'ssoo Greek Festival, 3109 Scio Church Rd. (St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church). (734) 332–8200. Live Greek music, St. Nicholas Dancers, Agora Marketplace, Kids Zone, bookstore, church presentations, raffle with prizes donated by local businesses, and homemade Greek food and pastries. *June 6–8, 2025.* annafborgreek festival or V

Ann Arbor African American Festival, N. Fourth Ave. & E. Ann. (734) 858–9121. Crafts, merchandise, food, and kids activities, with musical, theatrical, and dance performances. June 7, 2025, 9 a.m.–8 p.m.; always held the first Sat. in June. aleventscoaling of gmail.com, alfestival.org V

Ann Arbor Summer Festival & Top of the Park, 915 E. Washington. (734) 994–5999. Tickets: (734) 764–2538. Champions performing arts, outdoor entertainment, and community spirit by presenting more than 200 events, 90 percent of which are free. The Summer Festival ticketed series features performances by marquee talent in music, public radio, circus, dance, and comedy in a variety of venues. The free Top of the Park, held outdoors on Ingalls Mall, offers concerts, movies, kids activities, wellness classes, open-air spectacles, and local food vendors. June 13–July 6, 2025. a2sf.org V

Juneteenth, 200 Depot (Wheeler Park). (734) 761–9084. Commemorates the announcement of the end of slavery in Texas and the Southwest on June 19, 1865. Performances by local talent, games, health and nonprofit information, food concessions, vendors, cake walk, a children's area, and free bicycle repairs. June 2025; exact date TBA. wyhamp@comcast.net, a2naacp.org V

Shakespeare in the Arb, 1610 Washington Heights (Nichols Arboretum). (734) 647–7600. University students and local actors in an alfresco production of a Shakespeare play that moves through various set-



The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra's season (Arts Series) encompasses a Van Cliburn-winning pianist and the music of film composer John Williams.

tings in the Arb. 2025 dates TBA; typically held in late June. mbgna.umich.edu/shakespeare-in-the-arb V German Park Picnic, 5549 Pontiac Tr. (734) 769—

0048. Old-fashioned German dinner served à la carte (approximately \$10-\$15) with wine, beer, pop, water, and coffee for sale. Kid-friendly options (hot dogs, hamburgers) also available. Dancing to live German polkas and other European dance music. *Last Sat. June–Aug.* germanpark.org

Michigan Celtic Festival (formerly Saline Celtic Festival), 5055 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. This summer celebration of Saline's sister city, Brecon, Wales, features food, beer, and clan tents, kids activities, and Celtic music and dance on several stages by visiting and local performers. July 2025; exact dates TBA. mi-celtic.org V

Rolling Sculpture Car Show. More than 300 antique, classic, and concept cars on display downtown.

July 11, 2025. 2–10 p.m. Registration required. director@mainstrectannarbor.org, mainstrectannarbor.org/rolling-sculpture

Ann Arbor Festival of Song, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (Kerrytown Concert House). Performances of art song and vocal chamber music, typically held around the same time as Art Fair. *July 2025; exact dates TBA*. janesro@bgsu.edu, a2fos.org

Ann Arbor Art Fair. Three concurrent, independently juried art fairs with almost 1,000 artists, entertainment stages, artist demonstrations, art activities, and food & drink vendors. The Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, the Original (734–994–5260, artfair.org), is on Ingalls Mall, North University, and E. Washington. Ann Arbor's State Street District Art Fair (734–646–1500, statestreetdistrict.org) is in the business district around State and Liberty. The Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair (734–662–3382, theguild.org) has a downtown section on Main and Liberty and campus sections on S.

### 8 Ball Movie Night at the Blind Pig

B movies, cult classics, and mini golf

The shabby, welcoming confines of the Blind Pig, the beloved Ann Arbor dive bar and longtime music venue on First St., are also host to regular late-night gatherings celebrating the offbeat, idiosyncratic world of B movies.

The series is the brainchild of Blind Pig employee Colum Slevin, who started the Burnout Film Society in 2018 with a friend. "We were a bunch of friends who had one-bedroom apartments," he says. "We all wanted to watch these movies together, but we didn't have a space to watch them in."

They started out at a now-defunct Main St. music venue. "That first year, we were in the fucking hallway, and it was, like, five people," he says.

The following year, they moved to the Blind Pig, migrating out onto the patio when the pandemic hit. And so 8 Ball Movie Night was born.

Every other Tuesday, Slevin picks a double feature based on a theme. Sometimes it's seasonal, such as for the 4th of July or Halloween; other evenings are themed on a specific actor, such as "Carradine Collisions," featuring David Carradine, "Hole Lotta Love" with Courtney Love, or "Marxism 101," a night of Marx Brothers films.

He pairs better-known films with more obscure ones. For "High Seas Adventure,"

the draw was the surreal 1990s cult classic Cabin Boy starring Chris Elliott. First, though, Slevin showed Czech director Karel Zeman's Invention for Destruction, a vivid 1958 semianimated adventure based on the works of Jules Verne.

"That B-side is the one that I want people to see," he admits. A pairing of films by Prince featured Purple Rain-but only after he showed Under the Cherry Moon, the musician's 1986 musical romantic comedy. Though it was poorly reviewed at the time and flopped at the box office. Slevin maintains movie." And this way,

"you have to actually experience it if you wanna get the 'sugar-fix' movie that you've seen a couple of times already. ... That's, like, my holy grail for all of this stuff: showing people something that they might not be aware of."

8 Ball Movie Nights have a homey vibe, with a spread of free snacks and ten to twenty attendees enjoying pitchers of beer. In warmer months, they're held on the back patio, with the films projected from the roof



fice, Slevin maintains "We were a bunch of friends who had one-bedroom apartments," Colum Slevin says. "We all that "it's a wonderful wanted to watch these movies together, but we didn't have a space to watch them in."

of the bar onto the gray-painted wall of the office building next door. The atmosphere is loose and funny, with viewers shouting jokes at the screen, *Mystery Science Theater 3000*—style. There's a warm camaraderic among the mostly Gen X and Millennial crowd, and a shared appreciation for the unconventional and the unexpected.

Between films, there are trivia contests with prizes for winners after three rounds (a free DVD from Slevin's large collection,

which he brings in a huge tote bag), as well as portable games of mini golf from Ypsilanti-based Putt-R-Round.

"It's become this sort of community of friends," says Slevin. "The response that we've had as of late these last couple of years has been so good: just being able to sit down, fuck around, watch something weird and stupid, and just have an experience together."

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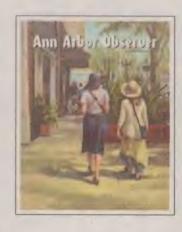


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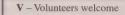




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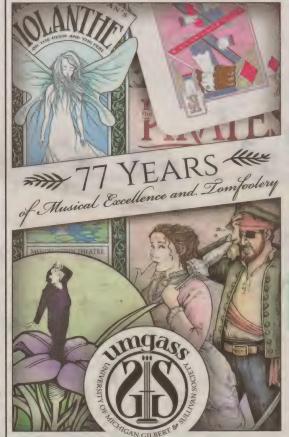
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## Restaurants

## **Around the World in Ann Arbor**

Collecting stamps in a culinary passport

by Dave Algase

rowing up in Toledo a half-century ago, international dining options were limited. Americanized versions of Chinese, Italian, and Mexican fare were what passed for exotic. But time and tourism broadened my palate. Though no globetrotter by nature or budget, I have enjoyed some transcendent travel experiences, and food often offered the most visceral route to expanding cultural appreciation.

I first encountered Indian cuisine at age thirty-two in London, and the complexity of its spice combinations was a revelation. So too was an Indonesian *rijsttafel* ("rice table") in Amsterdam. Breakfast in the Place des Vosges, fresh from a *patisserie*, is a sublime start to a good day of Parisian sightseeing. In an Italian mountain villa, the essence of *la dolce vita* manifested with the hospitality of a lingering repast highlighted by the freshest of olives and a grandmother's scratch-made tortellini. And in Poland, I'll attest, there's some sort of magic in every soup.

My passport expired during the pandemic, but it's no hardship that I'm not ready for my next transatlantic red-eye flight. For an inland city of its size, Ann Arbor offers an impressive breadth of restaurant riches from around the world. I credit our nation's long (though checkered) history of welcoming immigrants, the diversity of global talent that U-M attracts, and the sheer pluck that enables these culinary entrepreneurs to earn a sustainable share of their adopted area's discretionary dollars.

Over the years, I've dined at dozens of worthy eateries representing most of the globe and gleaned cultural insights from their proprietors. With no offense to those omitted—is there ever enough time to visit everywhere on our lists?—what follows is an imaginary itinerary across the continents, all within greater Ann Arbor. Whether in search of the familiar favorites that constitute our own version of soul food, or an adventure into ever-widening horizons, it can be found here, and without the jet lag.

ojourning southward to start, Frita Batidos has topped the *Michigan Daily*'s annual list for the best burger in town since 2014. The Cuban-inspired street food concept of renowned chef Eve Aronoff Fernandez centers around the various *fritas* (burgers) topped with shoestring fries on a soft egg bun, and the tropical *batidos* (milkshakes). Its white picnic table seating expanded in 2021, along with the addition of a full tropical bar.

Another take on Caribbean fare is Jamaican Jerk Pit, operating from a cozy but colorful space across from Hill Auditorium since 2003. The "jerk" refers not to unsavory slang, but rather to the traditional mixture of spices and cooking methods that produce meats with a characteristic smoky flavor.

Mexican food remains one of America's favorite international cuisines, from full-service feasts starting with chips and salsa and lubricated with margaritas, to handy street food so popular that "Taco Tuesday" has evolved from a corporate trademark to an international tradition.

You could spend weeks exploring the range of local Mexican options, from Tios to TMAZ Taqueria. But my first stop is at the fast-casual

Borimex Restaurant, which is less known but worthy of wider attention. Gladys Ponce and Ramon Martinez opened it in 2021 next to their small grocery on Carpenter Rd., just south of Michigan Ave.

Ponce was raised in Puerto Rico, where locals are known as *boricuas*, explaining the first part of their establishment's name. Her husband hails from Mexico, and "he's the one with the recipes," she says. Rice, beans, and sauces are all prepared in-house—"nothing is canned; everything is fresh," she notes.

From all-day breakfasts to à la carte tacos to fajita dinners to tortas with avocado and pickled jalepeño, Borimex's myriad menu options belie its humble strip mall setting. They rely on shredded cheeses and crumbly queso fresco, rather than melted mixtures, along with an extraordinary array of traditional protein preparations—lamb barbacoa, *campechano* (chorizo and steak), beef ribs, *pastor* (marinated pork), tongue, tripe, and more. Ponce says they only recently bowed to popular demand by adding ground beef to the menu: "People were like, 'Why you don't have it?' Because we're authentic, you know?"

So too is Pilar's Tamales, across town on W. Liberty. Hours and seating are limited, but the spirit of former Salvadoran civil war refugee Sylvia Nolasco-Rivers shines through in the ambiance and her handmade specialties: tamales steamed in corn husks, and *pupusas*, filled and grilled corn tortillas.

ourneying into the jungles further south, Peruvian fare recently arrived in Ann Arbor at Culanto on N. Main (Marketplace Changes, January). As founder Betty Shuell told me then, the slow-food cuisine derives from traditional Incan produce, including peppers, large-kernel corn, and potatoes, with cross-cultural influence from Asian migration, such as rice and soy sauce. A distinctive drink is the *chicha morada*, a sort of sweet and tart mocktail imbued with a rich hue from dried purple corn.

The gastronomy of Brazil is familiar to Americans mainly from all-you-can-eat steak-houses such as the Texas de Brazil chain, which opened an upscale *churrascaria* at Briarwood Mall last year. But one couple is focusing on the sweeter side, offering a range of açaí bowls and smoothies with bases imported from suppliers back home.

"This is so intrinsic in Brazil: everybody is so used to eating açaí that when you go elsewhere, we want to have it there too, because we can't understand how people can live without açaí," says Lucas Chamon, who along with his wife Jamille recently opened Samba Bowls on W. Washington St. (Marketplace Changes, August). The vast majority of the world's açaí fruit comes from the Amazonian state of Pará, where the earthy palm berries are used not just as a snack or fruit base, but also in sauces for savory dishes, he notes.

Chamon describes the Brazilian food tradition as "very rich," with great regional diversity resulting from both the abundance of agricultural options and—as in the U.S.—influence from other continents. Their inland home state of Minas Gerais is particularly noted for its cuisine "maybe because we don't have beaches,"



Mexico and Central Ameria have many worthy representatives, but I stamped my imaginary passport at Ramon Martinez and Gladys Ponce's Borimex Mexican Restaurant, next door to their small grocery at Carpenter and Michigan Ave.



Lucas and Jamille Chamon missed Brazilain açaí so much that they enlisted their favorite suppliers back home to provide the bases for the bowls and smoothies they're making at Samba Bowls downtown.

he smiles. "We're just like, okay, we have to cook well."

With Samba Bowls, the Chamons aim to expand appreciation for the various fruits that stem from South America, even as bountiful botanical habitats in the Amazon and Atlantic forests are being "pretty much devastated" as a consequence of human development patterns, he says. Chamon is "very sad to see" the government prioritizing progress over the ecosystem. "In the end, I think that some years from now, we're going to definitely see that it was a bad choice."

onsidering its size, population, and contributions to civilization, Africa is underrepresented in the local restaurant scene. But for thirty-five years, Ann Arborites have kept returning to Blue Nile for its full-service Ethiopian feasts. The vegetarian-friendly fare, rich in legumes, is best shared communally, with the spongy flatbread *injera* serving as an edible utensil.

The Mediterranean region encompasses parts of three continents, from Spain and Morocco eastward across Italy and Greece to the Levant in western Asia. Its presence among the local dining offerings is similarly expansive, partly from the sizable Arab American population in southeast Michigan. The family-run El Harissa Market Cafe on N. Maple near Miller provides an eclectic entry point to the fresh and flavorful multiplicity of the region. The patriarch and principal chef, Khaled Houamed, hails from Tunisia, "the crossroads of so many different civilizations," in the words of his daughter Yasmin, who was in town before returning to London to finish graduate studies in the anthropology of food.

An hourlong conversation with the family, including Houamed's wife Susan Thomas and their other grown child, Yusef, easily doubled my knowledge of Tunisian and Mediterranean history and culture. I knew of the centrality of olive oil but had no concept of garum, a fermented fish sauce highly prized during the time

of the Roman Empire. I'm familiar with cumin, caraway, and coriander, but hadn't realized how southern Mediterranean cooking was enriched by access to those and other spices from Madagascar and the southern parts of the African continent. Ras el hanout ("head of the shop" in Arabic) refers to a secretive blend of spices, as Houamed explains: "Each shop would have its own proportions, and only the head of the shop, the father, would have the recipe.'

He uses it in such dishes as the slow-cooked chicken tagine. Other popular items at El Harissa include the lamb and beef sausage merguez meatballs and the brined, seared, and baked chicken chermoula with a lemony herb sauce. Salads are a mainstay as well, so Khaled does "lots of chopping." They prioritize a healthful slate of offerings that can be enjoyed every day-but that said, a tempting gelato case includes several exotic palate cleansers.

he diversity, depth, and delicacy of Asian cuisine defies description, at least in a story of this scope. (It's surely a world away from the Chinese restaurant meals from my youth!) A full fifth of Ann Arbor's popula-

finally turn the corner." Sustainable success, he says, stems from community recognition that "these guys are sincere in what they want to do and how they want to be a part of this Ann Arbor community.'

The Vietnamese-born Phan is an industrial designer by training, after an undergraduate degree in piano performance. He brings a fondness for conversation and an artistic sensibility to the challenging craft of feeding people, readily expounding on the delicate balance of flavors and textures that make banh mi more like an orchestral composition than a sandwich. It's a product of Vietnam's culinary traditions, from the lack of refrigeration and custom of going to market even twice a day for the freshest of vegetables, to the French colonial influence that explains the baguette-like bread and the use of beef in the painstakingly prepared phô, the rice noodle soup some consider the Vietnamese national dish.

he various cuisines of Europe are wellrepresented by a lengthy slate of longtenured local establishments. For starters, there's the Earle for elegant French and Italian

fare, Conor O'Neill's for an Irish pub experience, the oldworld Amadeus and its eastern European specialties. Aventura for Spanish tapas and paella, and Italian wining and dining at the likes of Paesano, Palio, or Mani Osteria and Bar.

But none them have lasted as long as Metzger's, founded in 1928 by German immigrant baker Wilhelm Metzger and today run by his grandson John, who hopes to pass the baton and head into retirement upon the restaurant's 100th anniversary. His nephew Ryan Dunkelberger is head chef, continuing to serve up sauerbraten (marinated roast beef with sour cream gravy), schnitzel (breaded pork cutlet), and wurst (sausage) dinners, among their long-standing family recipes

In its first century, Ann Arbor became home for many German immigrants,

but the longevity of Metzger's was by no means assured. During World War II, rumors circulated around town of secret anti-American meetings above the restaurant (then on E. Washington), impacting the business until the local press helped squelch the falsehoods. In fact, Wilhelm had become a naturalized citizen, and his son Walter, who would later succeed him in the business, served in the U.S. Navy during the war. That history and more hangs among the cuckoo clocks, beer steins, and other decor at Metzger's current home on As Ann Arbor and nearby communities cel-

story reminds us that history plays out on stages of all stripes. In an era where ethnic and geographic divisions carry political potency and peril, the universal language of food reminds us that the things we share are essential in their capacity for both celebrating and transcending our differences.

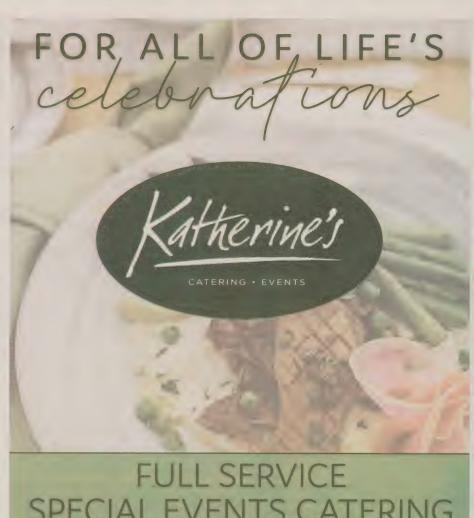
ebrate their bicentennials (see p. 7), Metzger's

At El Harissa Market Cafe on N. Maple, Tunisia-born Khaled Houamed (in blue), his wife Susan Thomas, and their children Yusef and Yasmin stamped my passport to the North African country Yasmin calls "the crossroads of so many different civilizations."

tion is of some Asian descent, which of course covers vastly different ethnicities and eating

Dining options abound—one side of a single block of South U. alone has three Korean eateries-and tastes vary. Family-run Kang's Korean Restaurant has endured over three decades, and Miss Kim has garnered national acclaim. For Japanese fare, there's Plate Sushi & Chicken, Totoro, and Yotsuba, among others. Among many representatives from China, Evergreen's success on Plymouth Rd. led them to add a downtown location in 2022. Excellent Indian options include Shalimar and Cardamom. Pacific Rim by Kana consistently garners good reviews for its Pan-Asian fine dining.

Far be it from me to attempt to single out the best bibimbap, sushi, pad thai, biryani, or bao. Instead, I simply suggest searching for consistency and commitment. A notable example is Ginger Deli, where, owner Te Phan tells me, "It took us almost seven years or eight years to



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## Recreation

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Fees are current as of summer 2024.

### Key

Special programs or discounts for seniorsV: Volunteer opportunities available

## **CITY PARKS & NATURE AREAS**

Ann Arbor has so many parks—162 in all!—that we simply can't list them all here. There are so many parks that Ann Arbor Parks & Rec has a Visit Every Park Challenge, with prizes for every twenty-five parks you check off your list. (Sound like your idea of a good time? Visit <a href="mailto:a2gov.org">a2gov.org</a> and search for Visit Every Park.)

So while we can't list them all, here are our mustsee parks, along with their amenities, organized by area of the city. For an indexed map of all 162 Ann Arbor parks, see the City of Ann Arbor Park Finder at www2.a2gov.org/GIS/MapAnnArbor/ParkFinder.

Smoking is banned in all Ann Arbor city parks with the exception of Cobblestone Farm and Huron Hills and Leslie Park golf courses. Because of chemical contamination, the Michigan DNR warns anglers not to eat fish from the Huron River. For dog parks, see Pets & Wildlife, p. 90.

City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation, 2781 Packard (Cobblestone Farm). (734) 794–6230. Manages nearly 2,100 acres of parkland and 15 recreation facilities, including pools and a canoe livery. Call to reserve pavilions or to hold special events in city parks. Register for classes, camps, and programs at a2gov. org/parksregister. Scholarships and discounted passes to pools, rinks, and classes are available for city residents who qualify. a2parks@a2gov.org/parks V

Border to Border (B2B) Trail. This 35-mile, ADA-accessible, paved pathway consists of 8 trails connecting parks throughout Washtenaw County, from Stockbridge in the west to Ypsilanti in the east. The Ann Arbor Corridor of the B2B consists of 5.6 miles of flat, paved paths, suitable for walking, running, or biking, which follow the Huron River through a number of parks. There is access to two canoe/kayak liveries at Gallup Park and Argo Park. b2btrail.org V

## North Side

Argo Park & Nature Area, 750 Longshore. This long, 22-acre park and recreation area contains walking/biking trails and paths connecting it to other parks along the river, including Fuller, Gallup, Bandemer, and the B2B Trail. There are shelters and grills for picnics, as well as a fishing dock. It is also home to the Argo Canoe Livery, with rentable canoes, kayaks, and rafts, and is an access point for the Argo Cascades, a series of nine narrow drops and pools that carry paddlers and tubers from Argo Pond down to the main river just upstream of the Broadway bridges.

Barton Nature Area, 1010 W. Huron River Dr. This scenic, 98-acre low-lying park on the Huron River boasts 3.4 miles of unpaved trails through several different ecosystems, including prairie, emergent marshland, wet meadows, and former farmlands, and is home to the century-old Barton Dam. There is a boat launch, a number of fishing spots, and a picnic area. Note: Due to construction, most trails will be closed until at least September 2024.

Bandemer Park, 1300 Lake Shore Dr. This 38-acre nature area is popular for its 9-hole disc golf course, dirt bike jump course, and views of Argo Pond. The pond is circled by a trail connecting Bandemer Park with Argo Park to the east. There are picnic shelters, grills, and a rentable fire pit (permit required). The south side of the park is home to the Ann Arbor Rowing Club (aarc.clubexpress.com). The B2B Trail runs from Bandemer to Argo Dam.

Bird Hills Nature Area, 1850 Newport. At 146 acres, this is the city's largest nature area, a favorite of hikers for its unpaved wooded trails through steep hills and ravines. The trails connect to the 31-acre Kuebler Langford Nature Area and the 7.7-acre Hilltop Nature Area, with spectacular views of the

Huron River Valley. Note: In order to protect this undeveloped area and its rare plant species from erosion, biking is strictly prohibited.

Leslie Park, 2900 Leslie Park Cir. This 38-acre park off Dhu Varren includes two playgrounds, a tennis court, 6 dedicated pickleball courts, open athletic fields, baseball/softball fields, a sledding hill overlooking Leslie Park Golf Course (2120 Traver, leslieparkgolf.com), and picnic areas. The basketball court features a mural, designed by a local artist and chosen by residents, in honor of Ann Arbor's bicentennial. Trails connect to the secluded Black Pond Woods Nature Area, which offers both unpaved trails and raised wooden walkways winding through woods of oak, hickory, maple, and dogwood.

Olson Park, 1505 Dhu Varren. This 54-acre park honors former Ann Arbor parks director Ron Olson, who went on to head Michigan's state parks system. Transformed from a gravel pit, it includes wetlands, woods, Traver Creek, and Traver Pond. There is a half-mile paved path surrounding Traver Pond, as well as a basketball court, rain garden, dog park, soccer fields, a playground, picnic shelter, and mountain bike trails.

### Central

Burns Park, 1300 Baldwin. Named for U-M botany professor George Burns, this 125-year-old, 15-acre neighborhood park is bordered by shady trees which follow the course of an old horse racetrack. It boasts a wide variety of amenities and athletic fields, including picnic tables, restrooms, a playground, baseball field, basketball court, football and soccer fields, tennis and pickleball courts, a pétanque court, two rain gardens, and sledding in the winter.

Fuller Park, 1519 Fuller. (734) 794–6236. This 60-acre park and recreation area across the river from U-M Hospital bustles with people enjoying its large playground, wooded trails, and athletic fields. Fuller Park Pool features an outdoor 50-meter pool with waterslide, open May–Sept., and includes a variety of community programs including swim lessons and water polo clinics. Pool fees: \$6/adult; youth & seniors, \$5; kids under 3, free with an adult. Multipasses available. S

Hunt Park, 1035 Daniel. Located atop a glacial hill at the north end of Spring St., this 7-acre neighborhood park offers a panorama of downtown, as well as basketball and tennis courts, baseball/softball fields, a play area, and picnic shelters with grills. In the winter, it's popular among sledders and cross-country skiers.

West Park, 215 Chapin. Located just west of downtown, the natural features of this large, open park include wetlands, a pond, and two "Champion Trees," a burr oak and a red oak, which are the largest of their species in the city. Manmade features include a historic bandshell (currently closed), athletic fields, a basketball court, baseball/softball field, tennis courts, picnic tables, a playground, and community gardens maintained by Project Grow.

Wurster Park, 525 W. Madison. This small, vibrant hilltop park on the Old West Side features a partial view of the city skyline, as well as a playground, sand volleyball court, and small soccer field. There are many warm, grassy areas to relax, observe nature, or enjoy a picnic. Lining the paths of the park are huge oak trees, including two "Champion Trees," a black oak and a chinkapin oak, which are the largest trees of their species in the city; the chinkapin oak is the largest in the state of Michigan.

## South Side

Bicentennial Park, 2901 E. Ellsworth. Formerly Southeast Area Park, this 23-acre park was renamed in 2023 in honor of Ann Arbor's 2024 bicentennial. It offers two playgrounds, lighted softball/baseball fields, athletic fields, a basketball court (which features a bicentennial-themed mural designed by a local artist and chosen by residents), and picnic areas. A paved, multiuse pathway, just over a half-mile long, loops around the perimeter.

Buhr Park, 2751 Packard. (734) 794–6234. This expansive, 39-acre park next to the city's Cobblestone Farm features paved walking paths, a playground, softball fields, tennis courts, an outdoor pool where swim lessons are offered, a covered outdoor ice rink that hosts roller derby in the summer, a gaga ball pit (similar to dodgeball, but lower impact), and a sledding hill in the winter. a2gov.org/buhr

Huron Hills Golf Course, 3465 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 794–6246. This 18-hole, par-67 public course, established in 1922, is open seasonally and features picnic tables, a pro shop, and a beautiful view of the



Hunt Park (Parks & Nature Areas, Central) has many amenities, but Gil was happy just to explore its grassy slope with his person, Tessa Swanson.

Huron River. Season passes available. <u>huronhills-golf.com</u>

Island Park, 1420 Island. This small island on the Huron River features outdoor tables, a playground, boat landing, and a stunning Greek Revival picnic shelter. Trails connect to Riverside Park (a picturesque stretch of shoreline on a shallow portion of river suitable for fly-fishing) and Fuller Park. In the woods at the back of the park, a dirt road-turned-walking path ascends to the Cedar Bend Nature Area, a high, forested slope (also accessible from Broadway via Cedar Bend Dr.) whose view of the city's skyline is partially obscured by oaks and hickories.

Pittsfield Preserve, Thomas Rd. and Marton Rd., between Morgan and Textile. (734) 822–2120. Maintained by Pittsfield Twp., this 626-acre preserve straddles the Huron River and the Saline River watersheds, featuring more than four miles of nature trails, a buttonbush swamp, and numerous wetlands (including a great blue heron colony of over 40 nests), mature woods, and meadows. pittsfield-mi.gov

## **East Side**

County Farm Park, 2230 Platt. (734) 971–6337. 127 acres of lush fields and forest lowlands, home to rabbits, woodchucks, pheasant, and numerous songbird species. Features native flowers and grasses and hundreds of species of trees. Perennial garden with sensory opportunities, community vegetable and flower gardens maintained by Project Grow, a large modern playground, picnic pavilions, and three loop trails; the longest is 1.4 miles and features 18 exercise stations placed along its length.

Gallup Park, 3000 Fuller Rd. (734) 794–6240. The city's most popular park, this 69-acre recreation area and important connector on the B2B Trail boasts three playgrounds (including one which is universal access, inclusive of children with disabilities), many picnic areas and rentable pavilions with grills, rain gardens, fishing pier, and a livery with canoe, kayak, and paddleboat rentals. More than 3 miles of trails and arched footbridges join a series of small islands, and a pedestrian walkway connects to the Furstenberg Nature Area. The most ecologically diverse park in Ann Arbor, it contains several rare species of flora native to wetlands, woodlands, prairie, and oak savanna.

Mary Beth Doyle Park, 3500 Birch Hollow. Named for a prominent Michigan environmental activist who passed away in 2004, this sprawling, 85-acre park boasts picnic tables, a basketball court, playground, a variety of paved and unpaved trails, and an 18-hole disc golf course. A wetland preserve with native flowers, formed by an unusual dam-and-channel system that diverts Malletts Creek, affords opportunities for wildlife viewing year-round. Some trails are very wet and muddy during parts of the year.

Parker Mill County Park, 4650 Geddes. (734) 971–6337. This 45-acre wooded park features a historic grist mill, which is operable and contains original milling machinery left inside the mill when the Parker family ceased operation in 1958, as well as a 150-year-old cider mill which is no longer operational. Paved and shaded trails are perfect for walking, jogging, rollerblading, and biking. There are two fishing access points, one on Fleming Creek and the other

on the Huron River. Accessible only through the park is Forest Nature Area, a wet forest of black maples, hackberries, and rock elms traversed by a boardwalk trail with interpretive signs. A newer branch of the B2B Trail connects the park to the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, providing nonmotorized access to its conservatory, gardens, and pathways. washtenaw.org/602/parker-mill-county-park

### West Side

Allmendinger Park, 655 Pauline. This 8-acre neighborhood park just southwest of downtown Ann Arbor features a mix of wide, flat open spaces and shady oak woods. Amenities include softball fields, picnic tables, open spaces for soccer or football, a tennis/pickleball court, and a basketball court. The playground, with its classic merry-go-round, is a popular kids birthday spot.

Veterans Memorial Park, 2150 Jackson Ave. (734) 794–6235. One of the busiest recreation areas in Ann Arbor, this 37-acre park hosts five baseball/softball fields, paved walking/biking paths, picnic areas, sledding hill, and the busy Ann Arbor Skatepark (a2skatepark.org) open daily 6 a.m.–10 p.m. The tennis courts can also be used for pickleball, but visitors need to bring their own net (contact the Ann Arbor District Library for net rental information, 734–327–4200). Veterans Memorial Pool and Ice Arena features a pool in the summer and an ice rink in the winter. Pool fees: \$6/adult; youth & sēniors, \$5; kids under 3, free with an adult. Multipasses available. S

## **U-M NATURE AREAS**

Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. (734) 647–7600. A large conservatory hosts a tropical plants room with orchids and bromeliads; a central greenhouse with plants of warm-temperate climates; exhibits featuring bonsai and insectivorous plants; and a desert house with cacti and other desert plants. A range of outdoor gardens include a formal Japanese bonsai garden, children's garden, and native plants garden. The surrounding 350 acres feature nearly 3 miles of walking trails through a variety of ecosystems. Outdoor gardens and trails open daily year-round sunrise—sunset. Summer hours (Memorial Day—Labor Day): Mon.—Sat. 10 a.m.—8 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Conservatory closed on Mon. Winter hours (Labor Day—Memorial Day): Tues. 10 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Wed. 10 a.m.—8 p.m., Thurs.—Sun. 10 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Free admission to grounds and conservatory. Parking is free for MBGNA members, \$2.20/hour, 8 a.m.—8 p.m.; \$6 max per day for others. mbgna.umich.edu/matthaei-botanical-gardens V

Nichols Arboretum, 1610 Washington Hts. (734) 647–7600. One of Ann Arbor's most popular outdoor areas for more than 100 years, this preserve occupies 123 acres of land on the Huron River. The forests and prairie grasslands of "the Arb" feature long, winding trails and plant species from all over the world, plus a peony garden which blooms each year in early June and has over 10,000 flowers at peak. Also in early June, U-M's "Shakespeare in the Arb" is performed in locations throughout. Free and open daily sunrise–sunset. Three entrances on Geddes, Washington Hts., and Nichols. The Visitor Center is open daily

mid-May-Labor Day and Sat. & Sun. Labor Day-Thanksgiving. Trail map and visitor guide available online. Parking is available in the U-M blue lot M28 after 5 p.m.; in the U-M Hospital P2 parking structure; and on the street, though limited. mbgna.umich.edu/nichols-arboretum V

Saginaw Forest, 3900 W. Liberty. (734) 764–9316. This 80-acre wood surrounding Third Sister Lake, a field research site for U-M's School for Environment and Sustainability, consists of several forest plantations dating back to 1904. Use of the lake is not permitted, but the path around it is a favorite for walking leashed dogs, jogging, and cross-country skiing. Open to the public dawn to dusk; parking available at 2142 Church on Wagner. Visitors use this property at their own risk and must adhere to posted rules. seas.umich.edu/about/field-properties/saginaw-forest

## **REGIONAL & STATE PARKS**

Huron-Clinton Metroparks. (810) 227–2757. Nearby Metroparks include Delhi (3902 E. Delhi), a handy spot for paddlers to access the river; Dexter-Huron (6535 Huron River Dr.), a wooded 123-acre area along the B2B Trail; and Hudson Mills (8801 North Territorial), with 1,549 acres including golf, disc golf, river access, and trails for biking, hiking, and cross-country skiing. Year-round calendar of events on website. Metropark vehicle entrance fees: \$10/day, \$40/year. (\$29/year for age 62+). metroparks.com S, V

Independence Lake County Park, 3200 Jennings, Whitmore Lake. (734) 449–4437. Swimming, boating, disc golf, picnicking and playgrounds, fishing, hiking, biking, rollerblading, and sand volleyball. Launch site for canoes, kayaks, and motorized boats with ten or less horsepower. A variety of programs and events offered throughout the year. Blue Heron Bay spray play facility includes water play structures, geysers, jets, and slides. Snack bar at beach and concessions at Blue Heron Bay, 11 a.m.–6 p.m. Blue Heron Bay admission: \$4 for Washtenaw County residents, \$5 for nonresidents. Vehicle entrance fee: county residents \$6/day, seniors (age 62+) \$3, nonresidents \$10, nonresident seniors \$6. Resident annual fee \$30/year, nonresident \$45. washtenaw.org/424/independence-lake-park \$

Pinckney State Recreation Area, 8555 Silver Hill, Pinckney (headquarters). (734) 426–4913. Campground reservations: (800) 447–2757. This more than 11,000-acre park north of Chelsea is made up of 3 main sections: Silver Lake and Halfmoon Lake day use areas, and Bruin Lake Modern Campground. Has many lakes for swimming, boating, canoeing, and fishing (avoid-foam and do-not-eat fish consumption advisories are in effect for the Portage Lake chain of lakes and Huron River); modern and rustic campgrounds; hunting in season; and 40+ miles of trails for hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, and birding. Halfmoon Lake open Apr. 1–Nov. 1. No alcoholic beverages allowed in park Apr. 1–Sept. 30. Recreation Passport required: state residents \$14/year with license plate renewal, or \$19/year at park gate; motorcycles \$7 with license plate renewal, \$12/year at park gate; nonresidents \$11/day, \$40/year. michigan.gov/pinckney V

Rolling Hills County Park, 7660 Stony Creek Rd. (734) 484–9676. This 439-acre county park has fields, woodlots, wetlands, a pond, a restored prairie with opportunities for bird and wildlife observation, and paved and soft trails for walking, biking, and inline skating. Fishing, disc golf, a sledding hill, and cross-country skiing. Vehicle entrance fees: county residents \$6/day (\$3 for age 62+), \$30/year; non-residents \$10/day (\$6 for age 62+), \$45/year. Additional fees for Rolling Hills Water Park. washtenaworg/607/rolling-hills-county-park \$

Waterloo State Recreation Area. (734) 475–8307. Campground reservations: (800) 447–2757. At 20,500 acres, this state park is the largest in the Lower Peninsula and is great for birding, boating, cross-country skiing, fishing, hunting, hiking, swimming, mountain biking, and camping. It has 11 lakes; modern, rustic, backpack-only, and equestrian campgrounds; trails; and a visitor center. Track chair available, allowing users to explore areas of the parks where traditional wheelchairs might not work. Horse-N Around Stables (734–637–4457, texting recommended; 12891 Trist Rd., Grass Lake) offers trail rides in the park. The Eddy Discovery Center (734–475–3170, 17030 Bush, Chelsea) has hands-on exhibits, natural history programs, park information, and displays of local ecology, wildlife, and Michigan rocks and minerals. Discovery Center hours: Mon.—Sat. 10 a.m.—5 p.m, Sun. noon—5 p.m., with reduced hours during the rest of the year. Recreation Passport required: state residents \$14/year with license plate renewal, \$19/year at park gate; motorcycles \$7 with license plate renewal, \$12/year at park gate; nonresidents \$11/day, \$40/year.

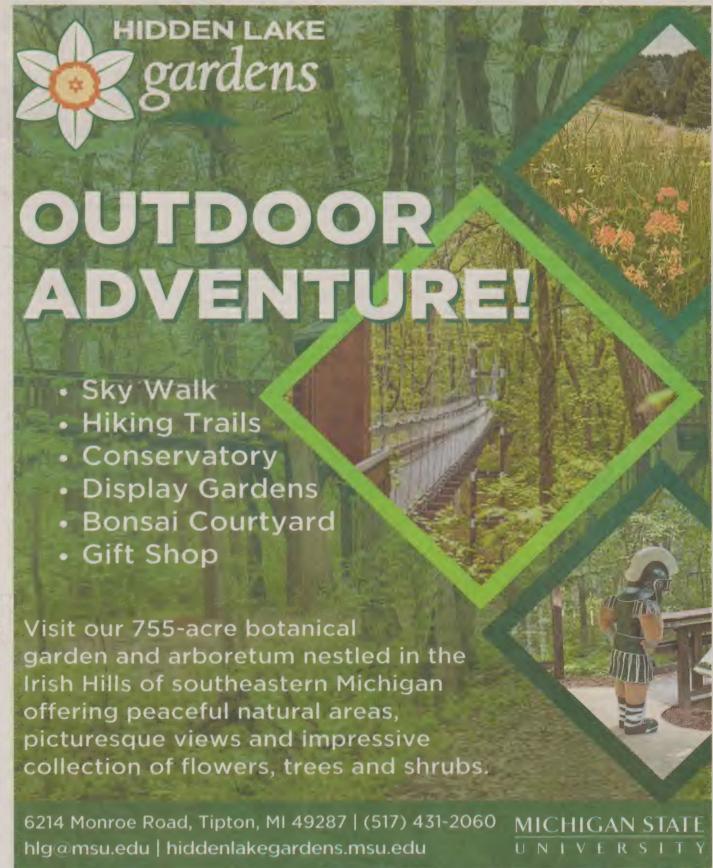
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## Key

V: Volunteers welcome

## CITY ELECTIONS

Ann Arbor holds **city and school board elections** concurrently with federal, state, and county elections on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November in even-numbered years. Polls are open 7 a.m.–8 p.m. Beginning in 2024, voters can also vote up to 9 days in advance, starting on the 2nd Saturday before Election Day, at City Hall, the Malletts Creek, Traverwood, and Westgate libraries, and, during the school year, on campus at UMMA and Pierpont Commons (see a2gov.org/earlyvoting). A valid photo ID or signed affidavit is required.

You can register to vote in person at the Ann Arbor City Clerk's Office, Washtenaw County Clerk's Office, or at a Secretary of State branch office (295 N. Maple and 4675 Washtenaw Ave.); by mail, email, or fax; or online at <a href="mailto:mvic.sos.state.mi.us/registervoter.">mvic.sos.state.mi.us/registervoter.</a>
To be eligible to register, you must be 18 years old by election day, a U.S. citizen, a resident in your city or township for at least 30 days before election day, and not incarcerated. To apply to vote absentee, including joining the new automatic ballot list, see <a href="mailto:a2bov.org/elections">a2bov.org/elections</a> (click Absentee Voting). In the two weeks before the election, you must register to vote in person at your city or township clerk's office.

## **Ann Arbor City Council**

## Mayor

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Jen Cornell (D). (734) 765–0174. Term expires Nov. 2026. jcornell@a2gov.org

**Election inspectors** are paid \$18+/hour. To learn more and apply, go to <u>a2gov.org</u> and search for Election Inspectors.

To select candidates, each major party has a **primary** on the day after the first Monday in August. For more information, contact the county headquarters of the Democratic Party (734–879–0556, <u>washtenawdems.org</u>) or the Republican Party (734–996–9467, <u>washtenawrepublicans.org</u>).

## **CITY HALL**

The Guy C. Larcom Jr. City Hall is located at 301 E. Huron (same address as the Ann Arbor Justice Center).

Services located at Larcom City Hall include: (1st fl.) Customer Service Center, Community Services Administration, Planning and Development, and Parks and Recreation Services; (2nd fl.) Clerk's Office and Council Chambers; (3rd fl.) City Administrator, City Attorney, Mayor's Office, and Communications Office; (4th fl.) Engineering and Systems Planning; (5th fl.) Assessor, Treasury, Sustainability, and Finance; (6th fl.) Human Resources and Public Services Administration. Next door, the Justice Center houses the 15th Judicial District Court, City Information Technology Unit (1st fl.), and Ann Arbor Police Department (2nd and 3rd fl.).

For general information, see the city website at a2gov.org, or call the Customer Service Center at (734) 794–6000 (weekdays 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.).

## City Council & Mayor

For information about the Ann Arbor City Council and issues currently before it, see a2gov.org/agenda, or call the Ann Arbor city clerk at (734) 794–6140. If you want to see changes made in any city law, rule, or procedure, call your council representatives. a2gov. org/departments/city-council

City council adopts the city's annual budget and determines city laws and policies. It has 11 members: 2 from each of the city's 5 wards, plus the mayor. Ward representatives are paid \$16,231.76/year, and the mayor is paid \$45,210. Councilmembers are elected to staggered 4-year terms: 1 seat in each ward is filled in a partisan election every even-year November. Ann Arbor has not elected a Republican office-holder since 2003, so the Democratic primary (see City Elections) almost always decides the council's membership.

Regular city council meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Mon. at 7 p.m. in the council chambers, 2nd fl. of Larcom City Hall. Agendas for council meetings and notices of public hearings are posted at a2gov. legistar.com/calendar. Special and working sessions, open to the public, are conducted as needed; notice is posted in Larcom City Hall and at the link above. Council and many other city meetings are broadcast live on the city's Community Television Network and streamed/archived on its website: a2gov.org/ctn.

Registered users of the city's eComment tool can submit **public comments** as late as 4 p.m. on the day of the meeting. For more information, go to <u>a2gov.org</u> and search for City Council Meetings.

The mayor, elected in a partisan election every 4 years, presides over city council and is a voting member; leads council in setting policy and approving the budget; nominates members of boards and commissions, subject to confirmation by city council; has the power to veto most council actions; has certain police powers in emergencies; and acts as ceremonial head of the city.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

City Administrator, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 3rd fl. (734) 794–6110, ext. 41102. The city administrator, Milton Dohoney Jr., provides direction to city departments and services, gives updates to City Council before meetings, enacts City Council policy, implements financial planning objectives, and serves as a community and governmental ambassador.

Clerk, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 2nd fl. (734) 794–6140. City clerk Jacqueline Beaudry keeps a public record of all City Council proceedings, administers city elections, and serves as the official custodian of the city seal and city documents. Many documents and records are available online. Office open Mon.—Fri. 8 a.m—5 p.m., excluding holidays. cityclerk@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/clerk



The Human Rights Commission reviews complaints about violations of the city's nondiscrimination laws. Commissioner Brandon Bond (in blue shirt) presents to (clockwise from lower right) Leslie Stambaugh, Linda Winkler, Pam Meadows, and Judah Garber.

Communications Office, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 3rd fl. (734) 794–6152. Communications director Lisa Wondrash oversees all aspects of the city's communication activities, including media relations, employee communications, social media, website content, and the Community Television Network (734–794–6150; 2805 South Industrial, ste. 200). Supported by cable franchise fees, CTN produces local programming (available on cable TV and for free online). Submit a program, promote an event, take a free video production class, or rent video equipment at a2gov.org/ctn. lwondrash@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/departments/communications

Human Resources Services, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 6th fl. (734) 794–6120. Responsible for recruitment and hiring; training; and employee relations, compensation, and benefits. Open positions are posted online. <a href="mailto:a2gov.org/departments/human-resources">a2gov.org/departments/human-resources</a>

## **ATTORNEY**

301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 3rd fl. (734) 794–6170. City attorney Atleen Kaur and her staff provide legal advice to the city council and city officials; prepare legal documents; represent the city and its officials in lawsuits and labor matters; and prosecute violations of city ordinances. The city attorney does not provide legal advice to citizens. <a href="mailto:akaur@a2gov.org">akaur@a2gov.org</a>, <a href="mailto:a2gov.org/departments/city-attorney">a2gov.org/departments/city-attorney</a>

## **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

The city has 34 citizen boards, commissions, and committees. For a full list with descriptions, vacancies, and an application form, call the mayor's office at (734) 794–6161 or go to a2gov.org and search for Boards and Commissions.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Ann Arbor Farmers Market, 315 Detroit St. (734) 794–6255. This 105-year-old open-air market in the Kerrytown district has 125 vendors selling local vegetables, fruit, mushrooms, herbs, plants, flowers, pastured meat and poultry, fish, eggs, cheese, honey, jam, maple syrup, coffee, pickles, bread, baked goods, specialty foods, artisan products, and more. Open year-round, May–Dec., Wed. & Sat. 7 a.m.–3 p.m.; Jan.–Apr., Sat. 8 a.m.–3 p.m. a2gov.org/market Parks & Recreation, 2781 Packard (Cobblestone Farm; customer service office). (734) 794–6230. This unit, managed by Josh Landefeld, plans and manages city parks, swimming pools, golf courses, canoe liveries, ice rinks, natural area preservation, park shelter reservations, community centers and other fa-

cilities, and registration for programs and activities.

Planning & Development, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 1st fl. (734) 794–6267. Administers and enforces land development ordinances, coordinates site plan review, prepares the city master plan in collaboration with the city planning commission, enforces building codes and ordinances, inspects rental property, coordinates activities of the planning and historic district commissions and city appeal boards, and issues various permits and licenses.

The City of Ann Arbor uses STREAM as its online permitting system. To apply for a permit or pay an invoice, visit stream.a2gov.org.

Planning. (734) 794–6265. This unit, headed by planning manager Brett Lenart, serves as the staff for the planning commission, historic district commission, and design review board. Development proposals currently under review can be found at <a href="mailto:a2gow.org/planning">a2gow.org/planning</a>, and zoning information at <a href="mailto:a2gow.org/zoning">a2gow.org/zoning</a>.

Construction inspections/building. (734) 794–6263. Reviews plans for proposed construction, enforces state building codes, and inspects all permitted construction within the city. Building permits are required for all new construction, alterations, additions, decks and fences, and almost all repairs. Fees are based on the cost and scope of the project. a2gov. org (search for Building Permits)

The *Permit desk*, (734) 794–6267, issues permits for sidewalk occupancy, barricades, street closings, races, parades, rallies, and other events; issues permits to work in the public right-of-way; conducts exams and issues licenses for sewer installers; and administers licenses for peddlers and solicitors, including charitable organizations.

Rental housing. (734) 794–6000, ext. 42669. The rental housing section, managed by Lisha Turner-Tolbert, registers and inspects all rental properties approximately every 30 months. Tenants may request additional inspections for specific problems. <a href="https://linearchy.com/line

## FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Accounting: A2OpenBook, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 5th fl. (734) 794–6500, ext. 45204. This division of the finance unit oversees the city's accounting, auditing, payroll, and grant services, and provides citizens with clear information on the city's financial condition. Budget information is online at A2OpenBook: a2gov.org (search for A2OpenBook) Assessor, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 5th fl. (734) 794–6530. Determines the assessed and taxable value of all property for property tax purposes. As-

sessment and ownership records are online at a2gov. org (search for Assessor)

Property owners who disagree with their assessments may appeal to a city council-appointed board of review. This three-member board may also grant a poverty exemption, which must be renewed annually, to homeowners who meet specific income levels and other requirements.

Finance Administration, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 5th fl. (734) 794–6500. The chief financial officer, Marti Praschan, and her staff are responsible for coordinating budget development, strategic planning, city bonding, economic development, and providing analytical support for other service areas.

**Treasurer,** 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 1st fl. (734) 994–2833. The treasurer, Mike Pettigrew, is responsible for customer service, risk management, parking referees, banking, and management of the city's debt and investment portfolios. Bills for summer and winter property taxes, parking fines, utilities, and invoices may be paid at the customer service center and at dropboxes inside and outside Larcom City Hall. Property taxes may also be paid at some Bank of Ann Arbor locations or online at Property taxes are billed twice a year, in July and Dec.

## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

Communications System—Signs & Signals, 4251 Stone School Rd. (W.R. Wheeler Service Center). (734) 794-6350. Maintains all City of Ann Arbor traffic signals, traffic signs, city-owned street lights,

## Trash, Recycling, & Compost

Solid Waste Administration. Ann Arbor's solid the city's Public Works Department, which coordinates recycling, compost, and trash collection in the city. Trash, recycling, and compost carts must be in place before 7 a.m. on normal weekly collection days and removed within 12 hours of service. On some holidays, service is shifted by one day. Carts should be placed in the street, or on lawn extension or buffer if a bike lane or busy street is present, with their handles facing away from the street. People with physical disabilities can arrange to have trash and recyclables collected from a side door or porch at no charge; call the Customer Service Center at (734) 794–7336 to schedule a preliminary interview

Residential recycling collection is provided by Recycle Ann Arbor (734-662-6288, 1 annarbor.org). Contact to report a missed recycling pickup. For a comprehensive list of acceptable items and other information, see

Residential trash and compost collection is provided by the City of Ann Arbor. Compost pickups occur weekly during the spring, summer, and fall. One free compost cart is available for each single-family residential property, and additional ones are available for a fee. To order a cart, call (734) 994-7336 or email customerservice@ Visit a ceptable items. Yard trimmings, including leaves and weeds, can also be left in a paper yard bag at the curb for pickup. Small tree branches can be tied with natural twine and left at the curb.

Report missed trash or compost pickups via a2gov.org/a2fixit or the A2 Fix It mobile app.

Commercial trash collection is provided under a franchise agreement with WM. To ask a question or report a missed pickup, contact WM at (866) 797–9018, customerserviceem gla@wm.com, or through the My WM online portal. Commercial compost collection is also available. All commercial properties receive recycling collection at no charge, either in a dumpster collected by the City of Ann Arbor or in carts collected by Recycle Ann Arbor. a

Residents and businesses are encouraged to **reuse** items in good condition. To find out where to donate items, visit a

To dispose of large items, call a private hauler or visit the Drop-Off Station operated by Recycle Ann Arbor, 2950 E. Ellsworth, (734) 971–7400, open Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Entry fee for a small car: \$3/day. There is no additional charge to dispose of household recyclables. For an additional fee, the Drop-Off Station also accepts items that require specialized disposal, such as appliances, electronic devices, and automotive fluids. recycleannarbor

street name signs, city-owned radios, civil defense sirens, and citywide fiber optic network.

Report damaged/missing street signs, broken signals, or streetlight outages by calling Customer Service at (734) 794-6320, using the Report a Problem link at a2gov.org/a2fixit, or via the A2 Fix It mobile

Customer Service Center, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 1st fl. (734) 794-6320. Walk-ins: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., except for city holidays. Assistance by phone or email: Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., except for city holidays. Handles information requests about engineering; street maintenance; vater utilities; traffic control; parking; payments for water, parking tickets, property taxes, and solid waste; right-of-way permits; and general information. Contact to request new sewer and/or water service.

View your water bills and usage data online by going to a2gov.org and searching for Water Services. Engineering, 301 E. Huron (Larcom City Hall), 4th fl. (734) 794-6410, ext. 43672. Designs and constructs utility, roadway, and sidewalk projects (including road resurfacing, sidewalk repair, and bridge maintenance); coordinates and inspects utility/public roadway works; and optimizes traffic flow through

Natural Area Preservation, 3875 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 794–6627. Works with individuals, organizations, and community groups to protect Ann Arbor's natural areas through ecological monitoring, restoration, and stewardship activities. nap@a2

Office of Sustainability and Innovations, 301 E. Huron. (734) 794–6000. Working toward the goal of a just transition to community-wide carbon neutrality by 2030. Leads community programs and government initiatives in renewable energy, reduction in vehicle miles, waste reduction, and adaptation and resilience per the city's A2Zero plan. sus

Public Works, 4251 Stone School Rd. (W.R. Wheeler Service Center). (734) 794-6350. Responsible for routine maintenance of most of Ann Arbor's infrastructure, including the drinking water, sanitary, and stormwater systems; streets, street lights, traffic signs, signals, and network lines; parks and public trees, and pedestrian paths and crosswalks. Also provides essential city services, including solid waste, recycling, and compost collection. a2gov.org/departments

Report potholes, damaged trees, signal timing, park cleanup and other problems via a2gov a2fixit or the A2 Fix It mobile app.

Wastewater Treatment, 49 S. Dixboro Rd. (734) 794-6450. This unit is responsible for the effective collection, treatment, and environmentally acceptable discharge of wastewater, including the operation and maintenance of the wastewater treatment plant, 8 sewage lift stations, and laboratory testing ser-

Water Treatment, 919 Sunset. (734) 794-6426. Processes and supplies safe drinking water, including operation of the treatment plant, remote pumping stations, storage areas, four dams, source water facilities, two hydroelectric plants, and laboratory testing services. Visit website for information about PFAS and dioxane plume, annarborwater.org

## SAFETY SERVICES

Ann Arbor Fire Department, Station 1, 111 N. Fifth Ave. Emergency: 911. Nonemergency: (734) 794– 6961. Led by fire chief Mike Kennedy, the fire department responds to all hazardous incidents, including fires, medical emergencies, technical rescues, hazardous materials, automatic alarms, utility failures, and citizen assists. The department also provides fire prevention services, including fire safety inspections, overseeing fire-related permits, educating the public, and reviewing construction site plans; investigates fires; provides support at large events; and manages tornado warning sirens and public threat notifications.

Ann Arbor Police Department, 301 E. Huron, Justice Center, 2nd fl. Emergency: 911. Led by police chief Andre Anderson, the AAPD responds to crimes and emergencies 24/7. To file a nonemergency alert, call (734) 794–6920. For nonemergency requests for service, call (734) 994–2911 (24 hours). Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Watch: (734) 794-

Community Standards. Enforces city ordinances that protect public health, safety, and welfare of residents. Handles complaints related to parking, overgrown grass, signs in public right-of-ways, snow or ice on sidewalks, trash accumulation on private property, and more. File a parking complaint by calling (734) 994-2911 when the violation is occurring, a

parking complaints are time sensitive. **File all other complaints** by calling (734) 794–6942 or via the A2 Fix It mobile app.

Lost & Found. (734) 794-6952. Call to report a lost item or make an appointment for pickup.

## **COURT SYSTEM**

The area court system comprises a county trial court and three state district courts. The Trial Court and its divisions are located in the Washtenaw County Courthouse (101 E. Huron). The 15th District Court is in the City Justice Center (301 E. Huron).

The Washtenaw County Trial Court, 101 E. Huron, (734) 222–3270. Judges are Patrick J. Conlin, Timothy P. Connors, Darlene A. O'Brien, Julia B. Owdziej, Arianne E. Slay, Tracy Van den Bergh, and chief judge Patrick J. Conlin. Court administrator Steve Matthews (m sees all nonjudicial functions of the court. wa

Anyone may petition the court to issue a personal protection order to stop or restrain another person from harming them. It may also stop someone from buying a firearm or taking their minor children. Visit Court Services at 101 E. Huron, ste. 1105, and bring three copies of relevant documents such as police reports or emails. Fill out forms there or at courts

Civil/Criminal Division (22nd Circuit Court), 101 E. Huron, rm. 1108. (734) 222-3001. Has jurisdiction over civil cases involving more than \$25,000, felonies and certain serious misdemeanors, and cases appealed from Washtenaw County's district courts.

Family Division. (734) 222-6900. Handles adoptions, divorces, juvenile matters, name changes, and Friend of the Court, 101 E. Huron, ste. 1102. (734) 222-3050. This agency helps resolve disputes involving divorce, child custody, parenting time, and

personal protection orders, as well as Probate Court

support. Mediation or peacemaking is available at no charge for child custody or visitation disputes. The agency also enforces court-ordered child support, spousal support, and parenting time agreements.
Parties with support cases can access their account information online and pay child support through

Name change petitions can be submitted in person to Trial Court Services at 101 E. Huron, by mail, or through online form. wa

Juvenile Court, 101 E. Huron. (734) 222-6900. Handles cases of child abuse/neglect, religious-based denial of medical care for a child, and juvenile delinquency. Connects juveniles with resources including trauma-informed therapy, education advocacy programs, equine therapy, and mentoring. was

The Peacemaking Division focuses on solving disagreements through healing and restoring relation-ships. Parties meet in a circle with trained peacemakers. To indicate interest in participating, fill out the form at y

Probate Court, 101 E. Huron, ste. 1104. (734) 222-3072. This court has jurisdiction over guardianships, estates, wills, and mental health. The court recommends that people use attorneys to better understand probate proceedings. Free legal advice regarding basic probate matters is available; contact the Probate Court to schedule an appointment.

The Problem-Solving Division includes the Drug Treatment Court, an 18-month program that



Andre Anderson took office as Ann Arbor's police chief in February 2024. Mayor Christopher Taylor was impressed by his work as interim chief in Ferguson, MO, after a federal investigation into the shooting of Michael Brown found widespread discrimination against Black residents.

## **Government** & Transit

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provides treatment, supervision, and support for recovery.

District Courts. There are three district courts in Washtenaw County: the 15th, 301 E. Huron, (734) 794–6750, processing cases within the City of Ann Arbor; 14B, 7200 S. Huron River Dr., Ypsilanti, (734) 483–5300, processing cases within Ypsilanti Twp.; and 14A (four locations; in Ann Arbor, 4133 Washtenaw Ave., 734–973–4545), processing cases in the remainder of Washtenaw County. The district courts handle criminal/traffic misdemeanors, civil infractions, local ordinance violations, felony arraignments, probable cause conferences and preliminary exams, landlord-tenant filings, civil cases where the disputed amount is \$25,000 or less, and small claims cases where the disputed amount is \$7,000 or less. Contact the court in which you will be filing your case to obtain information regarding filing fees and process service options. washtenaw org/1232/county-courts

## WASHTENAW COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Washtenaw County, one of the first counties in Michigan, was established in 1822 and fully organized by 1827. An agent of the state government, it carries out the responsibilities of the state, but it also has independent executive and, in a few cases, legislative powers.

The county's **general information line** is (734) 222–4357. Email via contact form on website: <u>washtenaw.org.</u>

Administrator, 220 N. Main. (734) 222–6850. Appointed by the board of commissioners, county administrator Gregory Dill is responsible for the overall management of county departments, agencies, and offices. washtenaw.org/150/administrator

**Board of Commissioners,** 220 N. Main. (734) 222–6850. The chief policymaking body of county government, the board has 9 members elected to 2-year terms (4 years beginning in 2025). Commissioners' duties include adopting the countywide budget (quadrennial and annual reaffirmations), crafting policies

that govern county operations (including staff, facilities, and assets), and making appointments to/serving on boards, committees, and commissions. For a current list of commissioners and a map of commission districts, visit <a href="washtenaw.org/217/commissioners">washtenaw.org/217/commissioners</a>. The board of commissioners meets 1st & 3rd Wed. at 7 p.m., preceded by a working session at 5:30 p.m. All meetings at 220 N. Main; call to confirm dates and times. View meeting agenda and a live broadcast at <a href="washtenaw.org/2874/board-meeting-agendas-minutes">washtenaw.org/2874/board-meeting-agendas-minutes</a>.

Clerk/Register of Deeds, 200 N. Main. (734) 222–6730. This combined office is headed by Lawrence Kestenbaum (D), an elected official whose four-year term expires in 2024. He and his staff maintain official county records (births, deaths, marriages, divorces, military discharges, business names, concealed weapons permits, and board of commissioners records), monitor the conduct of elections, and keep all land ownership records for property in the county.

Environmental Health Division (Washtenaw County Health Department), 705 N. Zeeb (Western Service Center). (734) 222–3800. Inspects restaurants and other food service facilities, public pools and beaches, campgrounds, child care centers, facilities storing hazardous materials, well and septic systems, and body art facilities. Also investigates foodborne illness complaints, offers water testing, and provides consultation on sanitation, groundwater contamination, mold, radon, pests, and more. To file a housing or sanitation complaint, call the number above.

**Human Resources,** 220 N. Main; PO Box 8645, AA 48107. (734) 222–6800 (phone). (734) 222–6775 (fax). County job openings are posted each week. Apply online or download the application and fax or mail. washtenaw.org/1173/human-resources

Office of Community & Economic Development (OCED), 415 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, 2nd fl. (734) 544–6748. Works to increase equality and opportunity for Washtenaw County residents through programs, initiatives, and direct services in the areas of affordable housing, human services, economic development, and community infrastructure. washtenaw.org/oced

Prosecutor, 200 N. Main. (734) 222–6620. Prosecutor Eli Savit (D), an elected official whose 4-year term expires Jan. 2025, is the chief law enforcement officer for the county. The prosecuting attorney and assistants are responsible for criminal cases in the county that fall under state law. The prosecutor must authorize, in writing, any criminal prosecution, enforces child support, and handles juvenile court matters. For

questions about child support, call (734) 222–6630. Advocates in the Victim/Witness Assistance Program, (734) 222–6650, inform victims of their rights and the status of their cases. prosecutor@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/1070/prosecuting-attorney

Public Defender, 220 E. Huron, 5th fl. (734) 222–6970. County public defender Delphia Simpson and her staff provide court-appointed legal counsel for adults who are determined to be unable to pay for a lawyer and who are charged with felonies or misdemeanors, and for juveniles charged with delinquencies or who are victims of neglect or abuse. Handles all criminal, juvenile, and special civil law appointments, as well as services related to bond reduction hearings, Friend of the Court matters, personal protection orders, probation violations, diversions, and extraditions. Also focuses on crime prevention, reduced recidivism, justice, rehabilitation, and training and employment opportunities.

**Public Health,** 555 Towner St., Ypsilanti. (734) 554-6700. *See Health Care section, p. 45.* 

Road Commission, 555 N. Zeeb. (734) 761–1500. The road commission, headed by chair Barbara Ryan Fuller, and its staff, headed by managing director Matt McConnell, are responsible for constructing, repairing, and maintaining paved and gravel roads outside city limits. The commission does not maintain privately owned streets or streets within the City of Ann Arbor.

Report nonemergency county road issues via the WCRC Fix It mobile app or wcroads org/residents/report-an-issue.

Sheriff, 2201 Hogback. Emergency: 911. Nonemergency: (734) 971–8400. Sheriff Jerry Clayton (D), an elected official whose 4-year term expires Jan. 2025, enforces criminal, civil, and traffic laws, apprehends criminals, intervenes in crimes in progress, and conducts criminal investigations. The sheriff's office provides direct, comprehensive contract police services to various jurisdictions in the county; coordinates law enforcement and other justice and human service activities of the county and state; operates the county jail, community corrections, and re-entry programs; serves as the principal officer of the courts providing court security and executing court orders, judgments, and civil process; administers county emergency management; and operates the county 911 Metro Dispatch center. washtenawsheriff.org V

Treasurer, 200 N. Main, ste. 200. (734) 222–6600. The treasurer, an elected official, is the custodian of all county funds and portfolio manager for the county's investments. The office receives, deposits, and

accounts for all county revenue and state education tax; collects delinquent property taxes; assists people with financial hardships in paying their property taxes; certifies deeds to verify taxes are paid; and issues dog kennel licenses. Contact for details about Home for Generations and Bridge Loans to Affordability programs. Pay delinquent taxes and make partial payments securely online without a fee at washtenaw.org/pay, taxes@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/pay.taxes@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/pay.taxes@

Veterans Affairs, 2155 Hogback. (734) 973–4540. Provides assistance to veterans, their survivors, and dependents to complete and file claims for federal, state, and local benefits, including monthly VA entitlements, financial assistance, and burial reimbursements. Emergency financial grants for food, utilities, and shelter; veteran health care information; and substance abuse referrals. washienay.org/959/veterans-affairs

Water Resources Commission, 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 222–6860. This elected official operates and maintains county drains; issues drain use permits; issues Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permits for much of Washtenaw County; reviews and approves stormwater systems in new developments and redevelopments for much of the county; manages public works programs including lake management projects; operates the Materials Management Division, including County Clean-Up Days, the School Recycling Program, and the Home Toxics Center; and runs public education and outreach programs, including Community Partners for Clean Streams, RiverSafe Homes, and the Rain Garden Program.

Report flooding or other issues after hours at washtenaw.org/851/report.

## STATE OFFICIALS

Governor Gretchen Whitmer (D), PO Box 30013, Lansing 48909. (517) 373–3400. Constituent Services: (517) 335–7858. 4-year term expires Jan. 2027. michigan.gov/whitmer

Senator Jeff Irwin (D-15th District: south Ann Arbor, southern and eastern Washtenaw County, and part of Adrian County), PO Box 30036, Lansing 48909. (517) 373–2406. 4-year term expires Jan. 2027. senjirwin@senate.michigan.gov, senatedems.com/irwin

Senator Sue Shink (D-14th District: north Ann Arbor, northern and western Washtenaw County, and most of Jackson County), PO Box 30036, Lansing 48909. (517) 373–2426. 4-year term expires Jan. 2027. sensshink@senate.michigan.gov, senatedems.com/shink

Representative Jason Morgan (D-23rd District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Ann Arbor, Northville, Plymouth, and Lyon; and all of the

## **County Commissioners**

County commissioners serve 2-year terms, with all seats up for election in November 2024. The current board chair is Justin Hodge (734–249–3664). To determine which commissioner represents you, view the county's district map (washiemus, org/217/commissioners) or call the city clerk's office at (734) 794–8296 (or your township hall).

District 1 (Chelsea and Dexter; Lima, Lyndon, and Sylvan twps.; most of Scio Twp.; and part of Dexter Twp.): Jason Maciejewski (D). (734) 210–9880. maciejewskij@washtenaw.org

District 2 (Northfield, Salem, and Webster twps., Barton Hills Village; most of Ann Arbor and Superior twps.; and parts of Dexter Twp.): Crystal Lyte (D). (734) 780–6679. lytec@washtenaw.org

**District 3** (Bridgewater, Freedom, Lodi, Manchester, Saline, Sharon, and York twps., the cities of Saline and Milan, and the village of Manchester): **Shannon Beeman** (D). (734) 222–6850.

District 4 (Pittsfield Twp. and small parts of the City of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti Twp.): Caroline Sanders (D). (734) 222–6850. sanders @washfenaw.org

District 5 (Augusta Twp. and south Ypsilanti Twp.): Justin Hodge (D). (734) 249–3664. hodge:@washtenaw.org

**District 6** (Ypsilanti and parts of Superior and Ypsilanti twps.): **Annie Somerville** (D). (734) 210–9963. somervillea@washtenaw.org

District 7 (east Ann Arbor and parts of Ann Arbor and Pittsfield twps.): Andy LaBarre (D). (734) 945–1298. Jabarrea@washtenaw.org

District 8 (central and part of south Ann Arbor): Yousef Rabhi (D). (734) 222-6850. rabhiy@washtenaw.org

**District 9** (west, southwest, and part of north Ann Arbor, and part of Pittsfield Twp.): **Katie Scott** (D). (734) 222–6850. scottk@washtenaw.org



The city's natural area preservation unit performs controlled burns, an essential ecosystem process which enriches the soil, removes dead thatch, and creates ideal conditions for native plant and animal species to thrive.

## **Seeking Zero**

## OSI is leading the city's decarbonization drive.

n June, the Ann Arbor Office of Sustainability and Innovations (OSI) celebrated the fourth anniversary of A<sup>2</sup>Zero. The \$1 billion climate action plan, which aims to attain community-wide carbon neutrality by 2030, was approved unanimously by the city council after Ann Arbor declared a climate emergency in 2019.

To reduce the city's 2.1 million metric tons of annual carbon emissions, A<sup>2</sup>Zero's eighteen-person staff has developed seven overarching strategies, including measures to power the electric grid with renewable energy, reduce the use of motor vehicles, and promote community engagement.

One of the ways they engage the community is through the annual A²Zero Week. From June 9 to 15, the OSI celebrated with bicycle events, repair clinics, trivia and game nights, educational programming, films, and parties with vegan fare courtesy of VegMichigan. The weeklong celebration came to a close just days before the June 28 Supreme Court ruling on the Chevron Doctrine, which undercut the EPA's authority to regulate air and water pollution. The weakening of federal environmental policies underscores the importance of local climate-change initiatives like A²Zero.

"Locals have been leading climate work for decades," says OSI director Missy Stults. "We do not have the luxury of playing politics that other folks are playing on a national stage. Local communities are stepping up to find solutions because they don't have a choice."

Ann Arbor residents have already begun to feel the impact of climate change. Since the 1950s, Ann Arbor has witnessed a 44 percent increase in annual precipitation and a 37 percent increase in rainfall during extreme weather events. By 2050, OSI projects that the average air temperature will rise by 3 to 7



The staff of the Office of Sustainability and Innovations are tasked with achieving community-wide carbon neutrality by 2030. They're working with 130 different community organizations, 100 volunteer A°Zero Ambassadors, and nearly a dozen city departments.

degrees Fahrenheit, including twelve to thirtysix more days when temperatures exceed 90 degrees.

The increases in precipitation and air temperature pose a serious threat to public health as infrastructure struggles to hold up against the rapid pace of climate change. During the June heatwave, for example, 9,000 residents of southeast Michigan suffered power outages for three days because of a storm.

Over the past year, A<sup>2</sup>Zero took numerous actions against the increasingly palpable effects of climate change, including installing 250 KW of solar panels, securing funding to

decarbonize the Bryant Community Center, electrifying 25 percent of the city's light-duty vehicles, launching the Ann Arbor Area Sustainable Food Business Coalition, and more

Stults says A<sup>2</sup>Zero's accomplishments depend on public support. "The community is at the heart of our work. There's a key word in our vision, which is *together*—that none of this can be done if we're not working together."

In November of 2022, 71 percent of Ann Arbor voters approved a tax proposal to subsidize A<sup>2</sup>Zero's climate action. In the past

year, OSI strengthened its community partnerships by working alongside 130 different organizations in Ann Arbor, 100 volunteer A<sup>2</sup>Zero Ambassadors, and nearly a dozen city departments.

"We need our community to be involved in whatever way they want to be," Stults says. "So I would encourage folks to come to an event, to raise their hand. There are so many ways to get involved. This plan is ours, but this work is yours. There is space for you in this movement, and we cannot wait to welcome you into it."

—Bela Kellogg

city of South Lyon and the townships of Superior and Salem), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-0855. 2-year term expires Jan. 2025. iasonmorgan@house.mi.gov, housedems.com/iason-morgan

Representative Felicia Brabec (D-33rd District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Scio, Pittsfield, and York; and all of Saline and the townships of Bridgewater, Lodi, and Saline), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373–0820. 2-year term expires Jan. 2025. feliciabrabec@house.mi.gov, housedems.com/felicia-brabee

Representative Carrie Rheingans (D-47th District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Ann Arbor, Grass Lake, and Summit; and all of Dexter and the townships of Columbia, Napoleon, Norvell, Freedom, Lima, Manchester, Scio, and Sharon), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373–8835. 2-year term expires Jan. 2025. <a href="mailto:carrierheingans@house.mi.gov.housedems.com/carrie-rheingans">carrierheingans@house.mi.gov.housedems.com/carrie-rheingans</a>

Representative Jennifer Conlin (D-48th District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Ann Arbor, Dexter, Genoa, Hamburg, Northfield, Waterloo, Webster, Lyndon, and Putnam; and all of Pinckney), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373–7557. 2-year term expires Jan. 2025. jenniferconlin@house.mi.gov, housedems.com/jennifer-conlin

## **TRANSIT**

## AAATA/TheRide

Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority (The-Ride), 2700 South Industrial. (734) 973–6500. The-Ride provides public transportation to the greater Ann Arbor–Ypsilanti area. All buses are equipped with a ramp and can accommodate 2 wheelchair users; a bike rack in front can carry 2 bicycles. Visit theride.org for real-time information on bus locations, routes, schedules, system-wide alerts, and discount fares, and to sign up for MyAlerts email alerts on specific routes.

Ann Arbor central boarding point **Blake Transit Center** (328 S. Fifth Ave.). Ypsilanti central boarding point: **Ypsilanti Transit Center** (220 Pearl).

Service hours for most routes are Mon.—Fri. 6 a.m.—midnight, Sat. 7 a.m.—11:50 p.m., and Sun. 8 a.m.—9:45 p.m. Fare is \$1.50 for fixed-route bus service. Transfers are free and valid for 90 minutes. Students in grades K—12 ride for \$.75. Children age 5 & under ride free.

Thirty-day unlimited-ride passes (\$45; \$22.50 for K-12 students and Fare Deal cardholders) can be purchased online, at the Blake Transit Center, TheRide's main office, and some Bank of Ann Arbor locations.

MRide program allows U-M faculty, staff, and students with a yellow MCard to ride free. Fare Deal cards allow people ages 60–64, people with a Medicare or Medicaid card, or certification through an authorized agency to ride for \$.75. GoldRide cards allow people age 65+ to ride free. Many downtown Ann Arbor businesses offer the go!pass, which enables their employees to ride free.

FlexRide on-demand service provides connections to TheRide's fixed-route bus system and to other destinations, and late-night/holiday shared-ride service when TheRide's fixed-route service is not operating. Call (734) 794–0377 or visit <a href="myflexride.org">myflexride.org</a> to make a reservation.

**A-Ride** is a shared-ride service for ADA-eligible people whose disability prevents them from riding regular fixed-route buses. Service is provided in lift-equipped vehicles. A-Ride card holders can also ride fixed-route service at no cost.

**GroceryRide.** (734) 973–6500. Provides weekly trips from several senior housing communities in Ann Arbor to grocery stores for \$.75 each way.

FootballRide provides game-day shuttle service from boarding locations from north, east, west, south, and downtown Ann Arbor to Michigan Stadium.

Free Park & Ride lots are at Plymouth Rd. and US-23, Green near Baxter, Pioneer High School, Miller at M-14, State north of Eisenhower, and 220 Pearl in Ypsilanti (which requires a free hang tag). From these lots, buses run downtown and to U-M campuses. Shared-use Park & Ride spaces can be found at Meijer (3825 Carpenter, Ypsilanti) and the Washtenaw County Service Center (4125 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor)

getDowntown, 328 S. Fifth Ave. (Blake Transit

Center). (734) 219–6596. A program of TheRide in partnership with the Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority and the City of Ann Arbor. Supports downtown employers and employees with their commuting needs, including go!passes, carpool and vanpool options, Park & Ride, walking and biking information, individual assistance, the Conquer the Cold event every Jan., and the Commuter Challenge every May. info@getdowntown.org, getdowntown.org Southeast Michigan Commuter Connect. (866) 510–7665. A free trip planning and commutermatching service by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments and TheRide. Enter your departure point and destination online or in the app to get information on commuting options, including carpool partners, vanpools, walking and biking buddies, and bus routes throughout southeast Michigan. commutation commutations.

## **U-M TRANSPORTATION**

U-M Vanpool. (734) 764–1100. Eligible U-M employees pay \$25/month to join or start a vanpool to and from campus. Others can join at \$119/month. Members split gas costs. alt.trans@umich.edu.

## **INTERCITY BUSES**

**D2A2 Detroit-Ann Arbor Service**, (517) 333-0400. Ann Arbor stop: 328 S. Fifth Ave. (Blake Tran-

sit Center). Pilot express bus service connecting Ann Arbor and Detroit, managed by TheRide and funded by the Regional Transport Authority of Southeast Michigan. Buses leave Ann Arbor approximately every hour between 6 a.m.—11 p.m. Mon.—Fri.; approximately every 2 hours between 7:45 a.m.—9:15 p.m. Sat. & Sun.; no service on some holidays. See website for detailed schedule and bus tracking. Oneway fares: \$6 online, \$8 on bus, \$4 senior/disability, book of 10 for \$50, book of 50 for \$100. info@michiganflyer.com, 42a2.com

FlixBus. 325 Depot (Amtrak station). Direct service from Ann Arbor to 12 destinations, including Detroit, Grand Rapids, and Chicago. Connections available throughout the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Outlets and free Wi-Fi on buses. flixbus.com

Greyhound, 325 Depot (Amtrak station). (800) 231–2222. Station and office open daily, including holidays, 7 a.m.–2:30 p.m. & 4–9:30 p.m. Credit or debit only; no cash. Bus service throughout the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Outlets and free Wi-Fi on buses. greyhound.com

Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE). (734) 475-9494. Provides affordable transportation in Western Washtenaw County. The Community and Jackson Road Connectors connect Chelsea, Dexter, Scio Twp., and Ann Arbor along Jackson Rd. Fares: \$0.50-\$3, with discounted rates for students, seniors age 60+, and people with disabilities (personal care attendants ride free). Operates 7 days/week (except holidays). Chelsea Community Ride offers free shuttle service around Chelsea. Door-to-door service in the greater Western Washtenaw area. Fares: \$2.50-\$20, based on location, with discounted rates for students, seniors age 60+, and people with disabilities. Operates Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Group Trip community shuttle services for qualifying groups. \$75/hour. See website for detailed schedules. book.my.ride@wavebus.org, ri-

## Community Services

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## **UMBRELLA ORGANIZATIONS**

**Dial 211.** 24/7 United Way phone line offers help with utilities, food, shelter, or any other basic need; refers callers to groups that provide assistance.

Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation, 301 N. Main, ste. 300. (734) 663–0401. Founded in 1963, the AAACF manages more than \$200 million in assets and more than 700 charitable funds, and has awarded more than \$100 million in grants and scholarships over its history. Awards \$6–\$8 million annually to support community organizations and programs in the areas of health and human services, housing and homelessness, arts and culture, education, the environment, seniors, youth, and scholarships for local students.

Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County, 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781. Human service agency offering more than two dozen programs, including food assistance, mental health treatment, domestic violence and child abuse prevention, adoption and pregnancy counseling, foster care, and services for seniors and at-risk families.

Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw County, 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Provides a wide range of clinical and community services for Washtenaw County residents, including older adults, unemployed, individuals and families, refugees, and others. Offers counseling, case management, specialty food pantry, meal delivery, transportation, immigration services, and daily ESL classes. info@jfsannarbor.org,

Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor, 2939 Birch Hollow. (734) 677–0100. Creates Jewish educational, cultural, and social programs; coordinates community-wide events; raises funds for activities that strengthen Jewish life locally, in Israel, and throughout the world. info@jewishannarbor.org, jewishannarbor.org

MSU Extension: Washtenaw County, 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 997–1678. Information and education about agriculture and natural resources; programs for children, youth (including 4-H), and families; and community and economic development. Open to all. <a href="mailto:msue.washtenaw@county.msu.edu">msue.washtenaw@county.msu.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:msue.washtenaw@county.info/washtenaw">msue.anr.msu.edu/county/info/washtenaw</a>

NEW (Nonprofit Enterprise at Work), 1100 N. Main, ste. 100. (734) 998–0160. The 11,000-square-foot NEW Center rents office

space and conference rooms to area nonprofits. Offers organizational development consulting, leadership development programs, back-office financial management, and IT services. info@new.org.new.org.

Office of Community & Economic Development (OCED), 415 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, 2nd fl. (734) 544–6748. Works to increase equality and opportunity for Washtenaw County residents through programs, initiatives, and direct services in the areas of affordable housing, human services, economic development, and community infrastructure. washtenaw.org/

Peace Neighborhood Center, 1111 N. Maple. (734) 662–3564. Provides programs for Washtenaw County children, families, and individuals affected by social and economic problems. Services promote positive youth development and leadership to break cycles of poverty while addressing educational and economic inequalities. info@peaceneighborhoodcenter.org, peaceneighborhoodcenter.org

SOS Community Services, 101 S. Huron St., Ypsilanti. (734) 485–8730. Community-based nonprofit providing services to families facing housing instability in Washtenaw County. Emergency family shelter and rapid rehousing programs, food pantry, in-home parenting education program, and information and referrals for community resources. All services free to county residents. <a href="mailto:info@soscs.org">info@soscs.org</a>, soscs.org

United Way for Southeastern Michigan, 2305 Platt. (723) 971–8200. Provides Washtenaw County families immediate help with food, housing, child care, utilities, and emergencies. Connects people, resources and organizations to create a thriving community for everyone. For immediate assistance, call 211 or use the live chat feature at unitedwaysem.org/get-help. unitedwaysem.org/

## **ADULT DAY & RESPITE CARE**

Fresh Start Clubhouse, 211 E. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. (734) 929–9992. Intentional working community for adults living with mental illness. Promotes recovery and rehabilitation through opportunities for members to work, learn, and contribute their talents to a community of mutual support. Open to people receiving services from Washtenaw County Community Mental Health, age 18+, with a serious mental illness. Mon.–Fri. 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Closed Sunday. Call to schedule a tour.

Volunteer Caregiver Respite (Catholic Social Services), 5361 McAuley (Towsley Medical Center), Ypsilanti. Trained volunteers provide respite assistance for Washtenaw County families caring for an older adult. Volunteers visit with the frail senior 2-4 hours/week. The caregiver or family member must be age 60+. No fee. \*\*ussimation\*\*usrg/vol S, V, U

Washtenaw Support Network for Caregivers, (734) 998-9352. Collaborative initiative for anyone who cares for a family member or friend age 60+. Provides caregiver educational programs, caregiver social outings, individualized care-planning consultations, group transportation and respite care during caregiver activities, home chores, and handyman services. Services provided by Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County, Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw County, and University of Michigan Health-Silver Club Memory Programs. All services are free and funded by Exhale, the Family Caregiver Initiative. washtenawcaregivers@umich.edu, michmed.org/washtenawcaregivers



NEW Center staffers Dan Moon, Mai Hitotsuyanagi, and Carly Friedrich with Champions for Change facilitator Devon Degraffenreed. The nonprofit venue held a celebration for their Champions for Change Racial Justice Cohort alum at Bandemer Park in July.

## CHILDBIRTH, FAMILY PLANNING, & ADOPTION

Adoption Programs (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781, ext. 322. Waiting Child Adoption facilitates adoptions of legally available children of all ages who have been involved in the foster care system but cannot be returned to their birth families due to past neglect or abuse. Newborn Adoption places infants for domestic (U.S.) adoption. Also provides counseling and services for birth parents before, during, and after the adoption process. csswashtenaw.org/family-children/adoption U, V

Ann Arbor Baby Beginnings, 2311 E. Stadium, ste. 202-2. (734) 221-0158. Group and private childbirth education and newborn care classes, as well as new moms groups and support for families in the pregnancy and postpartum period. Instructors are Lamaze Certified Childbirth Educators. info@annarborbabybeginnings.com. annarborbabybeginnings.com. Breastfeeding Center of Ann Arbor, 2300 Washtenaw Ave., ste. 200. Barbara Robertson, MA, IBCLC; Jessica Beemsterboer, MEd,

IBCLC; Veronica Rapin, IBCLC. (734) 975-

6534. Provides professional, compassionate

prenatal education and lactation consulting to help families reach their infant feeding goals. In-office, virtual, or in-home appointments by appointment only. Works with many insurances with no out-of-pocket costs. Free Friday morning drop-in support group for breastfeeding parents. team@bfcaa.com, bfcaa.com V

Foster Care (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781, ext. 448. Foster care placement for children separated from their birth families due to abuse and/or neglect. Licensing of foster families.

Fostering Futures, 2008 Hogback, ste.6. (734) 481–8999. Diversity-driven nonprofit foster care and adoption agency serving children and families in southeastern Michigan. By appointment only. <a href="mailto:ttalvitie@ffkids.org">ttalvitie@ffkids.org</a>, <a href="mailto:ffkids.org">ffkids.org</a>

Hands Across the Water, 781 Avis, ste. 200. (734) 477–0135. Provides foster care licensing and case management services, kinship services, domestic & international adoption services, parent education, adoptive/foster parenting training, parent and teen support groups, and behavioral health services (individual, family, and couples therapy). State licensed, Hague accredited; recognized by the HRC as a leader in supporting LGBTQ families and children. info@hatw.org, hatw.org

La Leche League of Ann Arbor. Local chapter of international group offers free peer-to-peer support for breastfeeding and pregnant parents. Meet virtually 2nd Tues. each month. Illannarbor@gmail.com, lalecheleagueofmichigan. org/ann-arbor

Michigan Association of Single Adoptive Parents, 551 Second. Jerri Ann Jenista, (734) 668-0419. Information and support group for single adoptive parents in Southeastern

Pregnancy Counseling, (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–9781, ext. 412 or 321. Licensed counseling and comprehensive services for pregnant women and parents of infants around the options of parenting, relative caregiving, or adoption. No fees. csswashtenaw.org/pregnancy-counseling V, U

## **DEATH & GRIEF**

The Compassionate Friends. (734) 219-3073. Nonsectarian support group for parents whose children have died. Grandparents and siblings welcome. Meets 3rd Sun. 2:30–4:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church (1432 Washtenaw Ave.). cfannarbormich.org, tcfannarbormich.org

Ele's Place Ann Arbor, 5665 Hines. (734) 929-6640. A healing center for grieving children, teens, and their families. Free grief support groups for children ages 3-18 coping with the death of a parent, sibling, or other significant person. Virtual groups for young adults 18-26. elesplace.org V

GrieveWell, 4624 Packard (American Red Cross). (734) 975-0238. Trained volunteer peer counselors provide free one-to-one grief support to bereaved adults. Offers training and education to better understand grief and how to support individuals in grief. info@grievewell.com, grievewell.com V

Lifespan Doula Association. Patty Brennan, (734) 663-1523. Birth, postpartum, & endof-life doula training & certification online.

Pregnancy and Newborn Loss Support Group (Michigan Medicine). (734) 615-3122. Offers support to mothers, fathers, relatives, and friends affected by a miscarriage, stillbirth, early infant death, and termination for fetal anomaly or risks to maternal health. Meets virtually 2nd Tues. of every month, 6:30-8 p.m. socwkoda@med.umich.edu, umwomensheaith.org/ resources/resources-support-pregnancy-los

Pregnancy, Newborn Loss and Perinatal Palliative Care Program (Trinity Health Ann Arbor). (734) 712-0350. Hosts a memorial service on the first Mon. of Oct. & May, 7:30 p.m., in the Trinity Health Ann Arbor Chapel (5301 McAuley, 1st fl., Ypsilanti), for anyone who has experienced a miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, or newborn death. All welcome

Proud Parents of Loss. Monthly grief support group which offers a stigma-free safe space for grieving parents to be supported, whether loss was neonatal, perinatal, or due to overdose, suicide, violence, illness, or any other cause. Judgment-free group facilitated by a licensed clinical social worker. Meets 1st Thurs. every month on Zoom; no registration required. proudparentsofloss.org

## **DONATIONS**

American Red Cross, 4624 Packard. (800) 733-2767. Open for blood donations (make appointments online) Mon.-Wed. 11 a.m.-7:15 p.m., Thurs. 8 a.m.-4:15 p.m., Fri.-Sun. 6:30 a.m.-2:45 p.m. redcrossblood.org/locations/ann-arbor-donor-center V

Ann Arbor PTO Thrift Shop, 2280 South Industrial. (734) 996-9155. Resells new and gently used clothing, furniture, crafts, linens, household goods, small appliances, books, jewelry, antiques, collectibles, and more from community-donated items to support student enrichment activities in the AAPS. Visit website or Facebook page for detailed information, current shopping/donating hours, or to arrange a furniture donation. a2ptothrift@gmail.com,

Ann Arbor Thrift Shop, 3500 Washtenaw Ave. (across from Arborland). (734) 662-6771. Accepts used clothing, jewelry, shoes, books, household goods, antiques, and small appliances. Proceeds support community service organizations and social service agencies for emergency assistance for individuals and families. Accepts donations Mon., Tues, Thurs., Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed Wed. unnurborthriftshop.org V

Food Gatherers, 1 Carrot Way. (734) 761-2796. Accepts food and monetary donations to support more than 140 food pantries and meal programs providing free groceries and meals to adults, seniors, and children in Washtenaw County. See website for guidelines. Accepts food donations Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Accepts monetary donations online or by mail: PO Box 131037, AA 48113. info@foodgatherers org, foodgatherers.org/donate V

Friends In Deed, 1196 Ecorse, Ypsilanti. Accepts donations of furniture and vehicles in good condition to pass on to families in need. Furniture: (734) 484-7607, furniture@friendsindeedmi.org. Vehicles: (734) 484-7658, of fice@friendsindeedmi.org. friendsindeedmi.

Gift of Life Michigan, 3861 Research Park Dr. (866) 500-5801. Serves as the intermediary between patients, physicians, and hospital staff for organ and tissue recovery. Maintains the Michigan Organ Donor Registry for residents to document the decision to become an end-of-life organ, tissue, and eye donor. info@ golin.org, golm.org V

Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 6241 Jackson Rd. (734) 822-1530. Resale warehouse accepts and resells building materials, furniture, working appliances, tools, home decor, and more. Open to the public; free donation pickups. Proceeds benefit affordable housing for Washtenaw County families. Store hours: Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Closed Sun. & Mon. kyle@h4h. org, annarborrestore.org V

House N2 Home, 5361 McAuley, ste. 1125, Ypsilanti (Trinity Health campus). Furnishes apartments and homes in Washtenaw County for individuals and families exiting homelessness. Accepts donations of furniture, beds and mattresses, TVs, small kitchen appliances, vacuums, linens, toys, children's games and books, kitchenware, rugs, throw pillows, towels, decor, and lamps along with other household items. Donated items must not be ripped, stained, or broken. Pickups of heavier items can be scheduled. Facility open Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. contactus@housen2home.org, ome org V

Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Thrift Sale, 100 N. Staebler, ste. C. (734) 665-0450. Kiwanis Thrift Sale accepts donations of clothing, hardware, sporting goods, toys, books, furniture, kitchenware, cars, trucks, and RVs. Items must be in working order. Sales support more than 70 community grants and service projects for children and families. Accepts donations Sat. 9 a.m.–1:30 p.m.; free large donation pickups. Store hours: Fri. 9 a.m.–1 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. donations@a2kiwanis.org, kiwimissale.com V

Salvation Army Thrift Store, 1621 S. State. (734) 332-3948. Accepts used clothing, toys, furniture, housewares, jewelry, and more. Accepts donations 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Store hours: Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Shelter Association of Washtenaw County. 312 W. Huron St. (Robert J. Delonis Center). (734) 662-2829, ext. 238. Accepts new linens (twin size and machine washable), new socks, new backpacks, new sleeping bags, toiletries, monetary gifts, and more. Drop-off daily 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Complete wish list online. shelterassociation@washtenaw.org, annarborshelter.org/donation-options V

SOS Community Services. (734) 485-8730. Accepts nonperishable foods, personal hygiene items, housewares, and baby and children's items. Wishlist on website. info@soscs.org, soscs.org U, V

## **ENVIRONMENT**

Adopt-A-Park, 1519 Fuller. (734) 794-6445. Individuals, organizations, and community groups volunteer to adopt Ann Arbor city parks by caring for gardens, cleaning up common green spaces, and advocating for park improvements. adopt-a-park@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/adopt-a-park V

Ecology Center, 339 E. Liberty, ste. 300. (734) 761-3186. Innovative solutions for healthy people and a healthy planet, since 1970. Annual dinner in fall. info@ecocenter.org, ecocenter.

MSU Extension: Home Horticulture Program, 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 997-1678. Garden hotline, (888) 678-3464 Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9 a.m.-noon. Food Safety Hotline (food preservation, canning, or other food safety questions), (877) 643-9882 Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Information and education on best management practices in the landscape and garden, including identification of plant problems and pests, groundwater protection, and water quality. migarden.insu.edu, canr.msu.edu/outreach/askun-expert U

Natural Area Preservation (City of Ann Arbor), 3875 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 794-6627. Staff and volunteers conduct plant and animal inventories, ecological monitoring, and stewardship projects in Ann Arbor parks. Projects include volunteer surveys of breeding birds, frogs/toads, turtles, and salamanders; seed collecting and sowing; conducting prescribed burns; and more. Volunteer training provided. Leads group hikes and offers educational opportunities. nap@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/nap

Project Grow, PO Box 130293, AA 48113. (734) 996-3169. Rents garden plots at more than 20 sites. Reduced fees for those unable to pay. Discovery Gardens offers raised beds for all ages and people with disabilities. Free or very low-cost classes on topics such as composting, heirloom plants, organic gardening, food preservation, and more. into@proje grownardens.org, projectgrowgardens.org S, V

## **FAMILY & PARENTING SERVICES**

ArborWoman, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright, lobby L, ste. 2200. (734) 994-8863. Pregnancy testing; limited obstetrical ultrasound exams; pregnancy options education; post-abortion and pregnancy loss counseling; educational resources, including safe sleep, labor & delivery, and fertility education; and community resource referrals. Please note: does not refer or perform abortions. Request an appointment online or by phone; same-day appointments offered. All services free and confidential. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. communicatilipuriners.org/

**Bryant Community Center (Community Action Network),** 3 W. Eden. (734) 477–0292. After-school programs, educational summer camps, YouthWorks, Alcoholics Anonymous, and WIC information programs. Summer hot lunch and dinner program for children living in the Bryant neighborhood (registration required; call for information). info@canwashtenaw.org,

Child Care Network (Great Start to Quality Southeast Resource Center), 3941 Research Park Dr., ste. C. (734) 975–1840. Training for child care providers, child care scholarships, and assistance with child care referrals using the greatstarttoquality.org website. Mon.-Fri. 8



Food Gatherers (Donations) accepts food and monetary donations to support more than 140 food pantries and meal programs providing free groceries and meals to adults, seniors, and children in Washtenaw County-and welcomes volunteers to help sort and pack them.

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V: Volunteers opportunities available

a.m.-4 p.m. info@childcarenetwork.org, childcarenetwork.orz

Community Action Network, PO Box 130076, AA 48113. (734) 994-2985. Programs, services, advocacy, and community building for the Arrowwood Hills, Brick, and Bryant community centers, and the Creekside, Hikone, and Green Baxter public housing complexes. info@canwashtenaw.org, canwashtenaw.org V

Education Project, 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 994-8100, ext. 1518. Works to ensure students experiencing homelessness, chronic absenteeism, and temporary living situations enroll, regularly attend, and succeed in school. Serves children and youth who lack a fixed, adequate, regular nighttime residence, including preschool siblings and those age 18–21 who do not yet have a high school diploma or GED. cphycontact@washtenawisd.org/ washtenawisd.org/ services/ephy/eligibility

Girls Group, 1100 N. Main, ste. 101 (NEW Center). (734) 531–5996. Educational nonprofit that empowers girls grade 6 and up from economically disadvantaged, socially vulnerable backgrounds to achieve emotional and financial self-sufficiency, graduate high school, and begin college/career. Comprehensive year-round programming includes in-school, weekend, summer, and spring break programs; college/career prep and support; youth council; and family engagement. info@girlsgroup.org, girlsgroup.org V

Help Me Grow (WISD), 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 994–8186. Services for children from prenatal to kindergarten entry, especially children with developmental delays or diagnosed disability. Provides no-cost preschool, developmental screenings, parent and caretaker support, home visiting programs, and more. helpmegrowwashtenaworg

MSU Extension: Family and Social/Emotional Program, 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 997–1678. Programs and information on parenting, stress, and anger management. <a href="mailto:msu.edu/child-family-development">msu.edu/child-family-development</a> U

Peace Neighborhood Center, 1111 N. Maple. (734) 662–3564. Educational and recreational programs for youth, including after-school programs, tutoring, counseling, family enrichment activities, college/career prep club, and summer day camps. info@peaceneighborhoodcenter.org, peaceneighborhoodcenter.org, U, V

SOS Community Services. (734) 485–8730. Offers Parents-as-Teachers, an in-home parenting education program for families with children age 5 or younger. Referrals, parent-child playgroups, and developmental screenings. info@soscs.org, soscs.org U, V

Washtenaw Area Council for Children, 3075 W. Clark, ste. 10. (734) 434–4215. Prevents child abuse and neglect through educational services for children, parents, youth-serving professionals, and the public. Parent programs on safe sleeping for infants, cyber safety, and child sexual abuse awareness. Children's programs teach cyber safety, bullying and cyberbullying prevention, and appropriate touch. Luncheon lecture series and conference on family issues. <a href="mailto:info@washtenawchildren.org">info@washtenawchildren.org</a>, <a href="washtenawchildren.org">washtenawchildren.org</a> V

Washtenaw Camp Placement, 3135 S. State, ste. 350D. (734) 971–4537. Established 1962. Provides scholarships and other support for sleepaway summer camp to Washtenaw County youths in grades 4–11 who have less access to opportunity. afales@washtenawcampplacement.org, mtw@washtenawcampplacement.org, washtenawcampplacement.org V

Washtenaw Child Advocacy Center (Catholic Social Services), 555 Towner, Ypsilanti. (734) 544–2925. Law enforcement and caregivers conduct forensic interviews and make team decisions about the investigation, treatment,



Board members gather at the Jimmy Hill House (Food, Shelter, & Assistance). The nonprofit provides food, camping supplies, winter weather amnesty, friendship, guidance, laundry, showers, and large group meetings for the unhoused community.

and prosecution of child sexual abuse cases. Counseling and prevention education for parents. csswashtenaw.org/wcac U

## FOOD, HOUSING, & ASSISTANCE

A Brighter Way, 124 Pearl, ste. 201 (Centennial Plaza), Ypsilanti. (734) 896–3770. Dedicated to improving the quality of life for returning citizens in Washtenaw County. One-to-one peerbased navigating, resources, and other support to help the formerly incarcerated build and live stable and successful lives. volunteering@abrighterway.org, abrighterway.org V

Alpha House (Interfaith Hospitality Network of Washtenaw County), 4290 Jackson Rd. Office: (734) 822–0220. Emergency shelter access: (734) 961–1999. Temporary shelter, rapid rehousing, food, and support services for children and their families experiencing homelessness. info@alphahouse-ihn.org, alphahouse-ihn.org V

Ann Arbor Community Center, (734) 662–3128. Works with local agencies and school social workers to identify unmet needs. Family mentoring, Caring Closets, Holiday Adopt-a-Family, and Thanksgiving Basket programs. Call, email, or contact online. acceeol@gmail.com, annarbor-communitycenter.org V

Avalon Housing, 1327 Jones, ste. 102. (734) 663–5858. Provides affordable, long-term housing with built-in care and support for people who have experienced homelessness. Develops, owns, and manages rental units in over 29 properties in Washtenaw County. Avalon case managers and property managers work to keep residents in their homes. Support services

include help with basic needs, case management, access to health care and recovery support, and community-building activities. Also provides support services to clients living in public housing and in rental units owned by private landlords. Serves more than 800 people, including 200 children. avalonhousing.org

Back Door Food Pantry (St. Clare Episcopal

Church, Temple Beth Emeth, Muslim Community), 2309 Packard. (734) 662–2449 (St. Clare Episcopal Church). Nonperishable and perishable food available Thurs. 4–7 p.m. No proof of need required. info@backdoorfoodpantry.org. backdoorfoodpantry.org V

**Breakfast at St. Andrew's**, 306 N. Division (St. Andrew's Episcopal Church). (734) 663–0518, ext. 206. Since 1982. Free breakfast daily 7:30–8:30 a.m. <u>breakfastatstandrews.org</u> V

Bryant Market (Community Action Network), 3 W. Eden. (734) 447–0292. Perishable and nonperishable foods for low-income residents of Washtenaw County. Bring government-issued ID and proof of residence. Eligible households may come twice a month. Open Mon.—Thurs. 10 a.m.—3 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m.—2 p.m. fnabilsi@canwashtenaw.org, canwashtenaw.org/bryant

Crisis Needs and Advocacy Programs (Peace Neighborhood Center), 1111 N. Maple. (734) 662–3564. Cash assistance, referrals, and advocacy for medical, legal, and housing problems related to basic needs like food, shelter, and clothing. Budgeting and planning assistance to help prevent families from returning to crisis. into a peaceneighborhoodcenter.org, peaceneighborhoodcenter.org U, V

• Emergency Food Program (Catholic Social Services), 815 Taylor (Northside Communi-

ty Center). (734) 662–4462. Distributes groceries and personal care items to low-income families and individuals on a monthly and/or emergency basis. Also provides assistance applying for food benefits and provides referrals to outside agencies for other critical services. Tues. 2–5:30 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.–2:30 p.m. csswashtenaw.org/food-pantry U, V

FedUp (Feed, Educate, Drive) Ministries, 16 S. Washington, Ypsilanti. (865) 300–7078. Food truck service offers free regular community meals in Ann Arbor & Ypsilanti. Also provides WashUp mobile shower service, Thrive weekly support circle group, and LiftUp weekly social gathering for breakfast and worship. into@fedupministries.org V

Feonix-Mobility Rising, 13 N. Washington, ste. 181, Ypsilanti. (734) 259–4125. Built to help get around Washtenaw County without driving. Individuals can call, go online, or download the Catch-a-Ride app to access the Transportation Assistance Hub, a one-stop shop for local mobility options. Some financial support available. info@feonix.org, feonix.org V

Friends In Deed, 1196 Ecorse, Ypsilanti. Helpline: (734) 484–4357. Furniture line: (734) 484–7607. Assists low-income Washtenaw County residents with emergency needs. Accepts donations of furniture and used cars to be passed on to families in need. Helps families with car repairs, utility bills to prevent shutoff, and other needs critical to health and wellbeing. Circles program helps families lift themselves out of poverty. No walk-ins.

Habitat for Humanity of Huron Valley, 950 Victors Way, ste. 50. (734) 677–1558. Builds and renovates homes in partnership with qual-

Hope Clinic, 518 Harriet, Ypsilanti. (734) 484–2989. Mission based on Christian values provides free care for the whole person. Primary care and dental services for the uninsured and underinsured through on-site clinics. Grocery pick up, delivery, or shopping by appointment. Hot meals available six nights a week (except Wed.) at 5 p.m. Help with basic needs such as laundry and emergency infant formula and diapers. Client advocacy, application support, and limited financial assistance available. info@thehopeclinic.org, thehopeclinic.org V

House by the Side of the Road, 2051 S. State. (734) 769–4085. Provides clothing, small household items, bedding, and toys at no cost to Washtenaw County residents in need. Clients served Mon.–Fri. 10 a.m.–2 p.m.; donations accepted Mon.–Wed. 9 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Thurs. & Fri. 10 a.m.–1:30 p.m. housebyroad@gmail.com, housebythesideoftheroad.org V

House N2 Home, 5361 McAuley, ste. 1125, Ypsilanti (Trinity Health campus). Furnishes apartments and homes in Washtenaw County for individuals and families exiting homelessness. Services by referral only. contactus@housen2home.org, housen2home.org V

Housing Access for Washtenaw County. (734) 961–1999 (Mon.–Fri. 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.). Single point of entry for all county shelters. For Washtenaw County residents who face eviction, owe back rent, are experiencing homelessness, or have no ongoing place to stay. housingaccess.net

Jimmy Hill House (Purple House), 3501 Stone School Rd. (734) 945–7825. Provides food, camping supplies, winter weather amnesty, friendship, guidance, laundry, showers, and large group meetings for the unhoused community. Hours depend on staff availability. Free meal every other Sun. 3–5: 30 p.m. ask missiona2@gmail.com, missiona2.org/jimmy-hill house

Meals on Wheels & Senior Cafe Programs (Office of Community & Economic Development), 3621 S. State, ste. 650. (734) 998–6686. Provides up to 13 healthy, prepared meals and other supportive services to homebound adults. There are no age or payment requirements, but a \$3/meal donation is requested. Visit website for more information on eligibility, meal options, and to submit a meal request form. aamealsonwheels@umich.edu, michiganmed.org/aamow V

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services—Washtenaw County, 22 Center, Ypsilanti. (734) 481–2000. Financial and health services to income-eligible families, including food assistance and emergency services. Mon.—Fri. 8 a.m.—5 p.m. michigan.gov/mdhhs, michigan.gov/mbhdes (online application)

New American Club (NAC) for Older Adults (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State, ste. 200. (734) 769–0209. A psychosocial support program for Russian-speaking seniors born in a country of the former Soviet Union. Management and social services, housing referrals, emergency financial assistance, burial assistance, referrals and resource advocacy, transportation, interpretation and translation services, ESL classes, Meals on Wheels, friendly home visits, kosher congregate meals and food pantry program, short- and long-term counseling, and health education, into a interpretation and translation partocore, illumnation or programs services/

Nourish Nutrition Services–Specialty Food Pantry and Kitchen (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Includes specialty food pantry, offering kosher, halal, liquid nutrition, and items for medical diets. Meal delivery to homebound clients, including kosher and halal meals, curbside pantry pickup, Meals on Wheels, and WISE at the J community meals. Appointments beyond open access hours are available. info@jfs.mmarbur.org, nourishnutritionservices.org U

Ozone House. 24-hour crisis line: (734) 662–2222 (call or text). *Youth Center*: 1600 N. Huron River Dr., Ypsilanti. *Drop-in center*: 102 N. Hamilton, Ypsilanti, (734) 485–2222. Free, confidential support for youth and families in crisis, including homelessness, suicidal thoughts, and family conflicts. Short-term shelter, support, and programs for youth ages 10–17; longer-term housing and support for youth ages 17½–24. ozonehouse.org V

RISE Resettlement Services (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Pre-arrival processing, reception, placement, and post-arrival services for refugees and SIV holders referred by the U.S. State Department. Services include employment assessment, basic needs support, mental health support and counseling, and referrals. Services for victims of human trafficking. Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.–noon, Mon.–Thurs. 1–3 p.m. jfsannarbor.org U, V

Salvation Army, Washtenaw County Corps, 100 Arbana. (734) 668–8353. Emergency help with past-due utilities bills. Food pantry hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:30–11:45 a.m. & 1:15–3 p.m. Call for appointment. centralusa.salvationarmy. org/washtenaw

SafeHouse Center, 4100 Clark. (734) 995–5444 (translation available). 24-hour sexual assault and domestic violence response teams, confidential crisis counseling, legal advocacy, shelter, and drop-in support groups. Services free and confidential for victims (and their children) who live or work in Washtenaw County. info@safehousecenter.org, safehousecenter.org

Shelter Association of Washtenaw County, 312 W. Huron St. (Robert J. Delonis Center). Housing access: (734) 961–1999. Emergency shelter and resource center. Fifty-bed temporary residence, meals, housing placement assistance, health care (Packard Health clinic on-site), support groups, job-seeking assistance, mental health advocacy, literacy support, resource referrals, and other services for adults experiencing homelessness. Food Gatherers Community Kitchen serves lunch Mon.–Fri. noon–1 p.m.; dinner served Mon.–Fri. 5:30–6:30 p.m.; one mid-afternoon meal (3–4 p.m.) served Sat., Sun., and holidays. Services free. shelterassociation@ewashtenaw.org, annarborshelter.org U, V

SOS Community Services, 114 N. River St., Ypsilanti. Walk-in services include transportation and utility assistance, MI Bridges navigation, and referrals to community resources. Walk-in food pantry Tues. 1–6:30 p.m., Wed. 9 a.m.–1 p.m., and by appointment (sign up at soccore/food-pantry). All services are free to county residents. info@soscs.org, soscs.org U, V

Staples Veterans' Hope House (Salvation Army), 3660 Packard. Housing Access: (734) 961–1999. Emergency shelter for up to 11 veterans with emphasis on transition to permanent housing. No meals. centralusa salvationarmy.

Weatherization and Home Improvement Program (Washtenaw County Office of Community and Economic Development), 415 W. Michigan Ave., ste. 2200, Ypsilanti. (734) 544–3008. Provides free home rehabilitation, weatherization, and energy optimization services to eligible Washtenaw County residents. Services may include furnace tuneup, repair, and replacement; insulation, ramp, and air conditioner installation; and refrigerator and roof replacement. washtenaw.up

WISE Comfort Line (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Trained volunteers contact older adults to reduce social isolation, identify emerging needs, and brighten their days. Volunteers screen for critical needs; if these are identified, the volunteer makes a referral to the WISE team of social work professionals for follow-up and services. into the wighten the control of the wighten the wight

## **GENDER & SEXUALITY**

Alternatives to Domestic Aggression (Catholic Social Services), 4925 Packard. (734) 971–



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## **Community Services**

V: Volunteer opportunities available

9781, ext. 430. Intensive educational program for men that seeks to stop domestic violence. Population-specific programs include NoMÁS for Spanish-speaking males, and RENEW for women. Sliding scale fees. <a href="mailto:csswashtenaw.org/ada">csswashtenaw.org/ada</a> U

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender National Help Center. (888) 843–4564. Free and confidential peer counseling, information, and resources. Youth LGBT Talkline (800–246–7743) and National LGBT Senior Hotline (888–234–7243) open Mon.–Fri. 4 p.m.–midnight, Sat. noon–5 p.m. Peer support chat and trans teen talk group online. help@lgbthotline.org, lgbthotline.org V

Ozone House. 24-hour crisis line: (734) 662–2222 (call or text). Youth Center: 1600 N. Huron River Dr., Ypsilanti. Drop-in center: 102 N. Hamilton, Ypsilanti, (734) 485–2222. Support services for LBGTQ youth ages 13–20, including individual and family counseling, emergency shelter, and housing. PrideZone social and support group meets weekly. pridezone@ozonehouse.org, ozonehouse.org V

Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center (U-M), 530 S. State, ste. 4130 (Michigan Union). 24-hour crisis line: (734) 936–3333. Business line: (734) 764–7771 (Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.–5 p.m.). Prevention education for students, confidential support for survivors (U-M students, faculty, and staff), and trainings, programs, and other community engagement strategies to create a campus free from violence. All racial, ethnic, religious, class backgrounds, sexual orientations, and gender and social identities welcome. <a href="mailto:sapac@umich.edu">sapac@umich.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:sapac.umich.edu">sapac.umich.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:sapac.umich.edu">sapac.umich.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:sapac.umich.edu">sapac.umich.edu</a>

Spectrum Center, 530 S. State, ste. 3020 (Michigan Union). (734) 763–4186. Free resources in regard to gender and sexual orientation for the U-M campus and surrounding community. Sponsors events and educational programs and provides advocacy, support, and referral services. Open to all. <a href="mailto:spectrumcenter@umich.edu">spectrumcenter@umich.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:spectrumcenter@umich.edu">spectrumcenter@umich.edu</a>

## JOBS, TRAINING, & FINANCES

CEW+ (Center for the Education of Women+ at U-M), 330 E. Liberty. (734) 764–6360. Free counseling on career and academic issues. Services and financial support for degree completion. Women and nontraditional students are CEW+'s primary constituency, but all U-M community members welcome. Tues. 1–4 p.m., Wed.–Fri. 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. contactcew@umich.edu, cew.umich.edu

Financial Empowerment Center (Washtenaw County Office of Community and Economic Development), 415 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. Provides free one-to-one financial counseling, including debt management, improving credit, saving, and budgeting. Inperson services at Jewish Family Services (2245 S. State). fcc@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/fcc U, V

Great Lakes Women's Business Council. (734) 677–1400. Business services focused on women and minorities include education, capital assistance programs, business development training, vendor certification, and business-to-business networking. info@greatlakeswbc.org, greatlakeswbc.org V

GROW Employment & Economic Empowerment (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Support services for individuals with barriers to employment, especially non-English speakers. Resume preparation, job search readiness, counseling, retraining, and other vocational and support services. Includes PATH program, matching grant program, micro enterprise development, refugee career pathways, digital literacy and learning, career services, refugee employment

program, refugee agricultural partnership program, and Afghan individual development accounts. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org

PAVE (Peer Advisor for Veteran Education). Peer support program connects incoming student veterans with veteran peers to provide support, help them navigate college life, identify challenges, and provide referrals to resources on- or off-campus. pave.info@umich.edu, m-span.org/pave V

Michigan Small Business Development Center (SBDC) (Washtenaw Community College), 4800 E. Huron River Dr., rm. 120 (Damon Flowers Bldg.). (734) 477–8762. Helps small businesses launch, grow, transition, and innovate. Provides counseling, training, and research for new ventures, existing small businesses, and advanced technology companies. Call for appointment. sbdc@wccnet.edu, wccnet.edu/business/small-business.php

Michigan Works! Service Center, 1201 E. Ellsworth, Ypsilanti. (734) 714–9814. Skill and career compatibility assessments; help with job search, resume writing, and interviewing skills; and use of office equipment, including computers with internet access. Veterans Employment Services (734–255–7688), a one-on-one special program geared to veterans and their spouses, offers all these services and more. mwse.org S, V

SCORE (Counselors to America's Small Business), 1100 N. Main, ste. 109 (NEW Center). (734) 929–1121. Virtual and in-person mentoring and resources for new and established small businesses and nonprofits. Mentors include entrepreneurs, corporate managers, and executives with diverse backgrounds and specialties. By appointment only. Sponsored by the Small Business Administration. admin.0655@scorevolunteer.org, score.org/annarborarea V

Washtenaw Literacy, 5577 Whittaker (Ypsilanti District Library). (734) 337–3338. Volunteers provide personal, cluster, and group tutoring in reading, writing, math, basic computer skills, and English as a second language at no cost to anyone age 16 or over who lives, works, or volunteers in the county. <a href="mailto:info@washtenawliteracy.org">info@washtenawliteracy.org</a>, <a href="washtenawliteracy.org">washtenawliteracy.org</a> V

## LEGAL SERVICES, MEDIATION, & CONSUMER SERVICES

Better Business Bureau Serving Eastern Michigan and the Upper Peninsula, 20300 W. Twelve Mile, ste. 202, Southfield. (248) 223–9400, (866) 788–5706. Provides business accreditation services, consumer resolution services, business directory listings, scam alerts, free community speaking engagements, and networking events. Visit bbb.org/consumerhq for useful consumer tips or bbb.org/bizhq for helpful business resources. info@easternmichiganbbb.org, bbb.org/detroit

Civil Criminal Litigation Clinic, 801 Monroe, rm. 363 (Legal Research Bldg.). (734) 763–4319. Free legal services Sept.—Apr. for low-income Washtenaw County residents. Law students supervised by a law professor handle landlord-tenant disputes, consumer cases, and misdemeanor defense cases by appointment. mclp@umich.edu, law.umich.edu

The Dispute Resolution Center, 4133 Washtenaw Ave., ste. B125. Mailing address: PO Box 8645, AA 48107. (734) 794–2125. Provides conflict resolution services that are affordable, constructive, restorative, and healing. Offers mediation, restorative circles, and training. Open to residents of Washtenaw and Livingston counties. info@thedremi.org, thedisputeresolutioncenter.org V

Fair Housing Center of Southeast & Mid Michigan, PO Box 7825, AA 48107. (877) 979–3247. Works to end discrimination in housing and public accommodations and to promote accessible, integrated communities. Investigates complaints of discrimination in the rental, sale, or financing of housing. Federal and state laws prohibit discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including sexual harassment, sexual orientation, gender identity, and maternity leave), familial status, disability, income source, marital status, and age. Local ordinances also forbid housing

discrimination based on arrest or conviction records, immigration status, and student status. Investigations, undercover testing, advice, advocacy, conciliation, attorney referral, and community education are free to county residents. complaints@fhcmichigan.org, fhcmichigan.org V

Lawyer Referral & Information Service (LRIS) (Washtenaw County Bar Association), 101 E. Huron St., ste. 1111 (Washtenaw County Courthouse). (734) 996–3229. Helps county residents determine whether they need a lawyer and refers them to one if needed. \$30 fee includes 30 minutes of the lawyer's time. The Family Law Modest Means Program accepts online applications for reduced-cost lawyers (\$75/hour) for family law cases. washbar.org

Legal Services of South Central Michigan, 15 S. Washington, Ypsilanti. (734) 665–6181. Free civil legal assistance for low-income people and seniors in cases such as landlord-tenant disputes, tax and mortgage foreclosure, public benefits, and consumer issues. Limited services in family law matters. Call for appointment. <a href="Issaerm.org">Issaerm.org</a> V

Michigan Immigrant Rights Center (Michigan Advocacy Program), 15 S. Washington, ste. 201, Ypsilanti. (734) 239–6863. Provides an array of free legal services for non-citizens, including naturalization assistance, representation for victims of crime and survivors of domestic violence, the protection of civil and human rights, and more. michiganimmigrant. org V

Michigan Legal Help (Michigan Advocacy Program), 15 S. Washington, Ypsilanti. Online resource helps people handle simple civil legal problems without a lawyer, including articles to learn about specific areas of the law and toolkits to help prepare for a court appearance. Forms and materials available in English or Spanish. michiganlegalhelp.org V

RISE International Services (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769–0209. Offers naturalization application and citizenship education services to eligible legal permanent residents. Free naturalization application services to people of all faiths, in-depth naturalization eligibility screenings, citizenship classes, and advice and assistance in applications, as well as follow up with USCIS. Low-cost help with paperwork, application status tracking, legal advocacy, and support for individuals interested in bringing relatives to the U.S. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org

U-M Student Legal Services, 715 North University, ste. 202. (734) 763–9920. Licensed attorneys provide free legal advice and representation to currently enrolled U-M Ann Arbor students regarding civil, criminal, family, divorce, consumer, probate, and housing/landlord-tenant matters. Also offers advice on immigration law. Request appointment on website. studentlegalservices.umich.edu

Washtenaw County/Eastern Michigan University Legal Resource Center, 101 E. Huron St., ste. 1112 (Washtenaw County Courthouse). (734) 994–0160. Free help with court procedures in family law, probate, small claims, and landlord-tenant cases, and free forms for residents representing themselves in court. No criminal matters or appeals. No appointment necessary. Tues.—Thurs. 9 a.m.—4 p.m. emich.edu/engage/communitylink/legal-resource-center

## RECOVERY

**Al-Anon.** (734) 995–4949. 12-step support group for families and friends of alcoholics. For in-person and Zoom meeting schedules, see hydrogeness of the property of the prop

Alcoholics Anonymous, 2727 Fernwood (church annex; AA is not affiliated with any religious/political group). Meeting locator helpline: (734) 482–5700 (9 a.m.–11 p.m. daily). Office: (734) 482–0707. 12-step support groups for anyone who desires to stop drinking. Call or visit website for in-person and Zoom meeting schedules. office@hvai.org, hvai.org

**Ann Arbor Women's Group (A2WG),** PO Box 3433, AA 48106. (734) 707–9780. Creates

opportunities for women recovering from alcohol and drug addiction. Free child care during 12-step meetings (ages 6 months–11 years) at Zion Lutheran Church (501 W. Liberty) Wed. 7–9 and 2l42 Church (638 S. Wagner Rd.) Sat. 7–9 p.m. Monthly activities to strengthen women's sobriety through fun and informative events, workshops and retreats, and more. events@a2womensgroup.org, a2womensgroup.org V

Center for Eating Disorders, 111 N. First, ste. 2. (734) 668–8585. Outpatient telehealth treatment for children, teens, and adults with binge eating disorder, bulimia, anorexia nervosa, AR-FID, and related disorders. Assessments, individual psychotherapy, nutrition counseling, and coordination of medical management services for all eating disorders. Specialized services for binge eating disorder through Bodywise Program. info@center4ed.org, center4ed.org, thebodywiseprogram.com

Gamblers Anonymous. (855) 222–5542 (Michigan hotline). 12-step program and open meetings for compulsive gamblers. Open meeting Wed. 8 p.m., Alano Club (995 N. Maple). Check website for other possible times and information about Gam-Anon, a support group for families and friends. gamblersanonymous.org

Greater Ann Arbor Area Overeaters Anonymous. PO Box 7836, AA 48107. For people recovering from compulsive overeating, undereating, anorexia, binge eating, and bulimia. Men's specialty groups. Meetings every day. <a href="mailto:chair@a2oa.org">chair@a2oa.org</a>, <a href="mailto:a2oa.org">a2oa.org</a>

Home of New Vision, 3115 Professional Dr. (734) 975–1602. Provides treatment and programs to empower, protect, and encourage the lives of men and women affected by substance use disorder. Support through the Washtenaw Recovery Advocacy Project (WRAP). Outpatient, residential, women's specialty, recovery housing, recovery coaching, case management, and Engagement Center services. <a href="mailto:admin@homeofnewvision.org">admin@homeofnewvision.org</a>, <a href="mailto:homeofnewvision.org">homeofnewvision.org</a>, <a href="mailto:homeofnewvision.org">homeofnewvision.org</a>, <a href="mailto:homeofnewvision.org">homeofnewvision.org</a>, <a href="mailto:homeofnewvision.org">homeofnewvision.org</a>, <a href="mailto:homeofnewvision.org">homeofnewvision.org</a>, <a href="mailto:homeofnewvision.org">homeofnewvision.org</a>

MHealthy Alcohol Management Program, 3621 S. State, ste. 630. (734) 998–2017. Early intervention program, in person, over Zoom, or by phone, for those with mild or moderate alcohol problems who would like to drink less or abstain; focus is on education. Call for phone screening to see if program is a good fit. mhealthyalcoholmgmt@med.umich.edu, mhealthy.umich.edu/alcohol

Michigan Tobacco Quitline. (800) QUIT NOW, 784–8669. 24/7 helpline. Free phone and online tobacco cessation programs with special tools, a support team of coaches, research-based information, and a community of others trying to become tobacco-free. michigan.quitlogix.org

Narcotics Anonymous. (800) 230–4085. 12-step support group for people with substance abuse problems. Meetings every day in and around Ann Arbor. washtenaw.na@gmail.com, michigan-na.org/washtenaw-area

Washtenaw Alano Club, 995 N. Maple. (734) 668–8138. Provides meeting space for eleven different 12-step support groups. Social and recreational services for those in recovery and their families and friends. Mon. 9 a.m.–9 p.m., Tues.–Fri. 11 a.m.–9 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.–9 p.m. wacmembership995@gmail.com, washtenawalanoclub.org

Washtenaw FAN (Face Addiction Now) (formerly Washtenaw Families Against Narcotics), (833) 202-4673. Public forums 2nd Mon, where speakers and panels address issues concerning substance use disorders, providing an opportunity to learn and enjoy fellowship with people facing similar experiences. Family and friends affected by substance use disorder, persons in recovery or seeking recovery, and all community members are welcome. Programs include yoga, acupressure, and exercise for recovery, peer-to-peer support for individuals seeking recovery and family members of individuals dealing with substance use issues, sober living scholarships, and transportation support. washtenaw@familiesagainstnarcotics.org, faceaddictionnow.org

## Religion

A comprehensive guide to area churches, syna**gogues, temples, and religious fellowships.** Only regular worship services are listed.

## Key

T — Transportation service available

Identifies as open and affirming to the LGBTQ+ community

## AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 900 John A. Woods. (734) 663-3800. Est. 1857. Pastor Mashod Evans. Membership: 500. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. beth

## **APOSTOLIC**

New Apostolic Church, 4844 Jackson Rd., ste. 200. (517) 936–3970. Est. 2018. Minister Ryan Tietsema. Sun 10:30 a.m., 2nd Wed. 7:30 p.m.

Solid Rock Church of Ann Arbor, 3823 N. Dixboro Rd. (734) 845–9955. Est. 1994. Pastor Brian Jones. Membership: 500. Sun. 10:30 <u>u</u> a.m., Wed. 7 p.m. admin@srcannarbor.com,

## APOSTOLIC PENTECOSTAL

New Grace Apostolic Temple, 2898 Packard. (734) 477–6888. Est. early 1940s. Suffragan Bishop Avery Dumas III, pastor. Sun. 11:30 a.m. in person/online. themail@newgrace.org, newgrace.org

## ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

Ann Arbor Assembly of God, 2455 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 769-4157. Est. 1945. Pastor Phil Eliason. Membership: 150. Sun. 10:15 a.m. in person/online.

H2O Campus Church, 915 E. Washington, 4th fl. amphitheater (U-M Rackham Bldg.). (734) 883–3605. A Chi Alpha Campus Ministry. Est. 2003. Pastor Nino Guarisco. Membership: 60. Sun. 11:11 a.m. info.h2ocampuschurch@gmail.com, h2ocam-

Korean Assembly of God, 2455 Washtenaw Ave. (Ann Arbor Assembly of God). (734) 945-7956. Est. 2005. Pastor Jeong-Seog Lee. Membership: 20. Sun. 1 p.m. a

Summit International Assembly of God, 2118 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. (734) 330-0294. Est. 2002. Pastor Michael Byrum. Membership: 50. Sun. 10:30 a.m.

## BAHA'Í

Bahá'í Center of Washtenaw County, 5550 Morgan, Ypsilanti. (734) 528–1919. Est. 1922. Membership: 100. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. bahaicenterwashtenawcounty.org

## BAPTIST

ABC: American Baptist Churches, USA; NBC: National Baptist Convention, USA; SBC: Southern Bap-

Ann Arbor Baptist Church, 2150 S. Wagner. (734) 995–5144. Est. 1979. Pastor Jonathan Barber. Membership: 200. Sun. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m. in person/online. aabaptist.church T

Ann Arbor Chinese Christian Church (SBC), 1750 Dhu Varren. (734) 668–9128. Est. 1981. Pastor Dennis Wong. Membership: 150. Sun. 9:30 a.m. (Mandarin), 9:30 a.m. (English). aac

**Briarwood Church,** 7950 Warren Rd. (919) 451–7952. Est. 1973. Pastor Todd Weber. Membership: 100. Sun. 10 a.m. Bible hour; 11 a.m. service. pastor. todd weber@gmail.com, briarwood-church or

Crossroads Community Baptist Church (SBC), 2580 Packard. (734) 971–0773. Est. 1952. Interim senior pastor and worship pastor Douglas Keasal. Sun. 9:30 a.m. (with ASL interpreter), noon (Spanish), & 2 p.m. (Japanese). ccbcaa@gmail.com, crossroadsa2.org



With a membership of 2,800 families, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is Ann Arbor's largest congregation.

First Baptist Church of Ann Arbor (ABC), 517 E. Washington. (734) 663-9376. Est. 1828. Interim pastor Rev. Rick Mixon. Membership: 202. Sun. 10 a.m.

New Hope Baptist Church (NBC), 218 Chapin. (734) 994–4620. Est. 1965. Rev. Rodrick K. Green. Membership: 700. Sun. 11 a.m. in person/online Wed. 6:30 p.m. Bible study. newhopeaa218@gmail. com, nhbc-aa.org T

New Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, 5055 Platt. (734) 973-2740. Est. 1986. Pastor Keith D. Wilson Sr. Membership: 80. Sun. 10:15 a.m. npm

Northside Community Church (ABC), 929 Barton. 4) 662-6351. Est. 1956. Co-pastors Rev. Terence McGinn & Rev. Sheree Gidcomb Clark. Membership: 60. Sun. 10 a.m. service with Sunday School immediately before. northsidecommunitya2@gmail.

Second Baptist Church of Ann Arbor (ABC), 850 Red Oak. (734) 663–9369. Est. 1859. Lead pastor Dr. Steven J. Daniels Sr. Membership: 500. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. info@sbcaa.or

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church (NBC), 3630 Platt. (734) 971–7801. Est. 1960. Rev. Maurice Gordon. Membership: 100. Sun. 11 a.m. stpaulmbcaa@ l.com, stpaulmbcaa.org T

Treasuring Christ Church, 7200 Moon, Saline. (734) 945–1787. Est. 2019. Pastor Michael Guyer. Sun. 10:30 a.m. at Cinemark Theater. info@tccannarbor.com, tccannarbor.com T

## BIBLE

Grace Bible Church, 1300 S. Maple. (734) 663-0589. Est. 1939. Pastor Tyson Lemke. Membership: 1,300. Sun. 9:30 & 11 a.m. (GraceKids class held simultaneously). gbc@grac

Korean Bible Church of Ann Arbor, 4220 Packard. (734) 707–7272. Est. 1983. Pastor Kim Suk Hyun. Membership: 80. Sat. 7 a.m., Sun. 1:30 p.m. (Korean). kbcinaa@gmail.com, koreanbiblechurch.net T Washtenaw Independent Bible Church. (734) 996-1384. Est. 1980. Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. at area locations (call for directions). van@parunak.com, cyber-chapel.org T

## **BUDDHIST**

Insight Meditation Ann Arbor, 180 Little Lake, ste. 1. Est. 2012. Membership: 50-75. In-person sitting Sun. 10 a.m.; online sittings weekdays at 7:30 a.m. and Sat. at 10 a.m. info@insightmeditationannarbor. org, insightmeditationannarbor.org

Jewel Heart Tibetan Buddhist Learning Center, 1129 Oak Valley. (734) 994-3387. Est. 1988. Spiritual director Demo Rinpoche. Membership: 350 locally, 600 worldwide. Online/on-site guided meditations Sun. 9:30 a.m. Public talks Sun. 11 a.m. ar

JissoJi Zen (Zen), 210 Little Lake, ste. 7 (Center for Sacred Living). (248) 202–3102. Est. 2016. Rev. Marta Dabis. Sun. 11 a.m. in person/online. Email at least 12 hours in advance for Zoom link. jissojizen@

Karma Thegsum Chöling (Tibetan), 614 Miner. Est. 1978. Founder: Khenpo Karthar Rinpoche. Local teacher: Lama Nancy Burks. Membership: 12. Meditation and sadhana practice Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/ online; meditation and discussion Wed. 7 p.m. in person/online, aaktc@vahoo.com, annarbork

Karuna Buddhist Center, 423 S. Fourth Ave., upper rm. (Bethlehem United Church of Christ). (734) 649-2127. Est. 2022. Membership: 20. Teachings, workshops, meditation. Sat. 10:30 a.m. (sitting and walking meditation), noon (program). lamanancy@ runabuddhistcenter.org, karunabuddhistcenter.org

Still Mountain Buddhist Meditation Center, 2401 Plymouth Rd. (Turner Senior Resource Center). Meditation, sharing, dharma talks, discussions, and socialization. Sun. 10 a.m. meeting in person/online.

Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard. (734) 761-6520. Est. 1981. Rev. Haju Sunim and Rev. Maum. Membership: 120. Sun. 10 a.m. & 4 p.m. annarborzentemple@gmail.com, zenbuddhisttemple.org

## **CATHOLIC**

Christ the King Catholic Church, 4000 Ave Maria. (734) 665-5040. Est. 1981. Fr. Ed Fride. Membership: 857 families. Weekend Masses Sat. 4:30 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m. (in person/online) & 11 a.m. Weekday Masses Mon. 6:45 a.m., Tues. & Thurs. noon, Wed. 7 p.m., Fri. 5:30 p.m. info@ctkcc.net, ctkcc.net

Old St. Patrick Church, 5671 Whitmore Lake Rd. (734) 662–8141. Est. 1831. Fr. Thomas Wasilewski. Membership: 375 families. Weekend Masses 1st Sat. 9 a.m., Sat. 4 p.m. Vigil, Sun. 8 & 10:30 a.m. Weekday Masses Wed., Thurs., & Fri. 8:30 a.m. (May-Aug.), Tues. 7 p.m., Wed. & Fri. 8:15 a.m., Thurs. 8:30 a.m. (Sept.–Apr.). info@stpatricka2.org, stpatricka2.org

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2250 E. Stadium. (734) 821–2100. Est. 1950. Fr. James Conlon. Membership: 2,800 families. Weekend Masses Sat. 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. (Spanish), Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. (in person/online), 12:30 p.m., & 5 p.m. Weekday Masses Mon.—Thurs. 9:15 a.m., followed on Thurs. by Holy Hour 10 a.m. and Adoration until 6:30 p.m.;

St. Mary Student Parish, 331 Thompson. (734) 663-0557. Catholic Campus ministry at U-M. Est. 1924. Fr. Kyle Shinseki, S.J. Average weekend attendance: 1,800 people. Weekend Masses Sat. 5 p.m., Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. (Spanish), 5 p.m., & 8 p.m. (8 p.m. service school year only). Weekday Masses Mon.–Thurs. 5:10 p.m.; Fri. 12:10

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 530 Elizabeth. (734) 761-8606. Est. 1835. Pastor Fr. William Ashbaugh. Membership: 1,915 families. Weekend Masses Sat. 9 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. (vigil), Sun. 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (ASL interpreted for the deaf community on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sun. of each month), & 11:30 a.m. (Extraordinary Form). Confessions Wed. 3:30–5:30 p.m., Thurs.–Sat. 2–4 p.m., and 1st Sat. 7:30–8:30 a.m. Weekday Masses 7 a.m. & noon.

## CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIASTIC

Ann Arbor Christadelphians, 5795 Pontiac Tr. (734) 263-3500. Est. 1997. Sun. 10 a.m. jaredkeyes71@yahoo.com, biblereadings.com/annarbor

## **CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE**

Calvary Chapel Ann Arbor, 3323 Nordman. (734) 730–6000. Est. 2004. Pastor Dave Gremban. Sun. 10:15 a.m. in person/online. ccannarbor@gmail.com,

Scio Community Church, 1293 N. Zeeb. (734) 662-7351. Est. 1934. Rev. Tedd Lewellen. Membership: 100. Sun. 10:45 a.m. in person/online. info@

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1833 Washtenaw Ave. Est. 1906. Sun. 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m. Reading room: 306 E. Liberty, (734) 662-1694. Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Wed. 1-4 p.m. csreadingroomAA@gmail.com (reading room), chris-

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### **CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**

Greater Fountain Church of God in Christ, 530 W. Stadium. (734) 665–5477. Est. 1928. Pastor Samuel Duncan Jr. Membership: 110. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. greaterfountainsmedia@gmail.com, greaterfountaincogic.com

## CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Living Hope Church of the Nazarene, 2780 Packard. (734) 971–6723. Est. 1944. Pastor John J. Posegay. Membership: 14. Sun. 10:30 a.m. annarborlivinghopenazarene.org T

## **COMMUNITY OF CHRIST**

Community of Christ, 520 W. Jefferson. (734) 761–3082. Est. 1927. Pastors Sharon Noffsinger & Patricia Clapham. Membership: 50. Sun. 11 a.m. aacofchrist@gmail.com, aacofchrist.org

## CONGREGATIONAL

First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor, 608 E. William. (734) 662–1679. Est. 1847. Rev. Dr. Darcy Crain & Rev. Lily Tinker Fortel. Membership: 800. Inclusive, member-directed church. Sun. 10 a.m. in

person/online. office@fccannarbor.org, fccannarbor.org

## **EPISCOPAL**

Canterbury House Student Center, 721 E. Huron. (734) 665–0606. Est. 1887. Rev. Matthew M. Lukens. Wed. 5:15 p.m. evening prayer. Tues. 7 p.m. service of contemplative music and contemplative silence. Sun. 5:15 p.m. lectionary discussion and Eucharist. canterburyhouse@umich.edu, canterburyhouse.org

Episcopal Church of the Incarnation, 3257 Lohr. (734) 769–7900. Est. 1984. Rev. Dean Aponte-Safe. Membership: 150. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. Both an Episcopal congregation and an interfaith spiritual community grounded in the teachings and practices of Jesus. All races, orientations, genders, and people of other faith backgrounds welcome.

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 1679 Broadway. (734) 663–5503. Est. 1966. Rev. Tom Ferguson. Membership: 35. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. nam. ministries@sbcglobal.net, staidan.org

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division. (734) 663–0518. Est. 1827. Rev. Paul Frolick. Membership: 1,000. Sun. 8, 9:15 (family service), & 10 a.m. (in person/online), Wed. 7 a.m. & 6 p.m., Fri. 12:15 p.m. office@standrewsaa.org, standrewsaa.org

St. Clare of Assisi Episcopal Church, 2309 Packard. (734) 662–2449. Est. 1953. Rector the Rev. Anne Clarke. Membership: 300. Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Church school at 10:15 a.m. during the school year. welcome@saintelareschurch.org, saintelareschurch.org

## **GREEK ORTHODOX**

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 3109 Scio Church Rd. (734) 332–8200. Est. 1935. Parish Priest

Fr. Nicolaos Kotsis. Membership: 500. Sun. 9 a.m. (Orthros), 10 a.m. (Divine Liturgy). <a href="mailto:secretary@st-nickaa.org">secretary@st-nickaa.org</a>, <a href="mailto:structure">structure</a>, <a href="mailto:secretary@st-nickaa.org">struckaa.org</a> T

## HINDU

Chinmaya Mission Ann Arbor, 4760 Packard. (734) 904–8902. Est. 1994. Acharya Sharada Kumar. Membership: 800 families. <a href="mailto:sharada@umich.edu">sharada@umich.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:chinma-ya-aa.org">chinma-ya-aa.org</a>

## INDEPENDENT & INTERDENOMINATIONAL

**2|42 Community Church**, 648 S. Wagner. (734) 707–4995. Est. 2009. Ann Arbor Campus Pastor Albo Esilaba. Membership: 2,250. Sun. 9 a.m, 10:30 a.m., & noon. info@242community.com, 242community.

Ann Arbor Meditation Circle of Self-Realization Fellowship, 1829 W. Stadium, ste. 100. (734) 662–2202. Est. 1984. Membership: 25. Sun. 9:30 a.m. (meditation service) & 10:30 a.m. (reading service), Thurs. 7–7:50 p.m. & 8–9 p.m. (meditation services). All are welcome. <a href="mailto:annarbor.srf@gmail.com">annarbor.srf@gmail.com</a>, <a href="mailto:annarbor.srf@gmail.com">annarbor.srf@gmail.com</a>, <a href="mailto:annarbor.srf.org">annarbor.srf.org</a>

Blue Ocean Church, 2309 Packard (Genesis of Ann Arbor social hall). (734) 931–0130. Est. 2015. Pastor Emily Swan. Membership: 200. Sun. 11 a.m. in person/online. In-person services on 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sun. a2blue.org

Chinese Christian Fellowship Church in Ann Arbor, 4205 Washtenaw Ave. (St. Luke Lutheran Church). Est. 1983. Sun. 1:15 p.m. deacons@ccfcaa.org, ccfcaa.org

Harvest Mission Community Church, 1001 E. Huron. (734) 662–4622. Est. 1996. Lead pastor Rev. Pete Dahlem, associate pastor Josh Yang. Membership: 200. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. <a href="mailto:annarbor@hmcc.net">annarbor@hmcc.net</a>

His House Christian Fellowship, 925 E. Ann. (734) 926–8240. Est. 1979. Campus minister Eric Hammond. Membership: 35. <a href="mailto:ehammond@umich.edu">ehammond@umich.edu</a>, <a href="mailto:um.hhcf.org">um.hhcf.org</a>

Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth, 704 Airport Blvd., ste. 1. (734) 327–0270. Est. 1998. Associate minister Delyth Balmer. Membership: 200. Sun. 10:45 a.m. in person/online. delyth.balmer@interfaithspirit.org, interfaithspirit.org

Korean Church of Ann Arbor, 3301 Creek. (734) 971–9777. Est. 1967. Pastor Rev. Joo Hyung Lee. Sun. 9 & 11 a.m., Fri. 7 p.m. (youth). open-kcoaa@gmail.com, kcoaa.com

Mosaic Church of Ann Arbor, 1110 W. Cross, Ypsilanti; Ann Arbor services at U-M Modern Languages Bldg. (734) 719–0710. Est. 2009. Lead pastor Shannon Nielsen. Membership: 150. Sun. 11:15 a.m. connect@mosaica2.org, mosaica2.org

Shekinah Christian Church, 4600 Scio Church Rd. (734) 662–6040. Est. 1984. Pastor Barbara J. Yoder. Membership: 300. Sun. 10:30 a.m. <a href="mailto:info@shekinah-church.org">info@shekinah-church.org</a>, shekinahchurch.org

The Word of God Community, 3820 Packard, ste. 200. (734) 994–3243. Est. 1967. Meets every other Sun. 4:30 p.m. in person/online. admin@thewordofgodcommunity.org, thewordofgodcommunity.org

## **JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**

**Korean Congregation**, 2000 Champagne. (248) 520–3836. Korean-language service. Sun. 1 p.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m. jw.org

North Maple Congregation, 2211 N. Maple. (734) 996–1244. Est. 1972. Membership: 75. Sat. 10 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m. jw.org

Stadium Congregation, 2000 Champagne. (734) 709–4106. Est. 1989. Membership: 192. Sun. 10 a.m., Thurs. 7:30 p.m. jw.org T

## **Genesis of Ann Arbor**

An interfaith partnership on Packard Rd.

ince 1975, a Christian cross and a Star of David have stood side by side before a single building—the one that both St. Clare's Episcopal Church and Temple Beth Emeth call home. Years later, Betsy Yvonne Mark still remembers how the congregations celebrated their shared ownership of the interfaith space, which they named Genesis of Ann Arbor.

"It was a sunny day. There wasn't a cloud in the sky," she recalls. She watched as her father placed the mezuzah on the wooden doors leading to the sanctuary. "The first time the hammer hit the nail, there was this crash of thunder."

With that fortuitous omen, Genesis of Ann Arbor opened its doors.

The partnership originated in 1970, when the young Jewish Reform congregation approached St. Clare's, asking to share their building until they could find one of their own. In an interview with *Parade* magazine, St. Clare's then-rector, Doug Evett, recalled that "a lot of us were interested in ideas that would break down barriers, that would terminate historic separations."

Each congregation had sole use of the sanctuary on its Sabbath. To accommodate their individual worship, St. Clare's redesigned its iron cross to rotate in and out of sight, while Temple Beth Emeth stored their Torah in a recessed wall niche. From time to time, both congregations still came together for Passover Seders, pulpit exchanges, and group prayers for world peace. In less than four years, both congregations had grown so close that even though Temple Beth Emeth had grown large



Genesis of Ann Arbor's many community activities include blood drives. Emileigh Curtin keeps her aunt Jackie Shock company while Red Cross collection specialist Brenton Swanson starts a donation.

enough to consider buying its own building, Rev. Evett said, "it just seemed to us that it would be appalling for them to leave."

The Christian-Jewish partnership was "the first ever in the universe," then-Temple Beth Emeth rabbi Bob Levy told the Observer on the twentieth anniversary of the Genesis agreement in 1994. At their joint Thanksgiving service that year, the congregations dedicated an addition that included a new sanctuary, a classroom wing, a new social hall and kitchen, offices, and a small Jewish chapel.

While the congregations remain independent, they collaborate to serve the needs of the

Ann Arbor community. In 2007, four women from St. Clare's founded the Back Door Food Pantry; members of Temple Beth Emeth joined the initiative in 2009 to provide additional volunteers and funding. In just a few years, the pantry started welcoming volunteers from the entire community.

"It's delightful that so many nonmembers of our religious communities are part of our efforts to give food to people who need it," says pantry codirector Kathy Daly. "It embodies ... what can happen in the world when the principles of Genesis ooze out into the community."

Genesis also partners with local organizations to provide relief to Ann Arbor families experiencing homelessness. Throughout the year, it donates meals and basic supplies to the Alpha House family shelter.

Genesis's commitment to tolerance and public service transcends religious boundaries. As Temple Beth Emeth member Allyn Kantor puts it, the partnership between a Christian church and a Jewish synagogue "is something more spiritual and substantive than just real estate."

—Bela Kellogg

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## **JEWISH**

Ann Arbor Orthodox Minyan, (734) 489–1918. Est. 1965. Membership: 40 households. Shabbat services at Hillel (1429 Hill): Fri. evenings, times vary. Sat. Shacharit 9:30 a.m. High Holy days 9 a.m., evening times vary. Daily services Sept.—May Sun. 9 a.m. and Mon. & Tues. 7:30 a.m. at Hillel; Wed.—Fri. 7:30 a.m. at Chabad House (715 Hill). Weekday minyan schedule varies during the summer. welcome@anaarbogminyan.org. anaarbogminyan.org.

Ann Arbor Reconstructionist Congregation, 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 445–1910. Est. 1993. Rabbi Gabrielle Pescador. Membership: 100 families. Bimonthly Shabbat on 4th Fri. 6:30 p.m. and 2nd Sat. 10 a.m. Religious school, adult ed, ticketless High Holidays, and other holiday services. Info@marecon.org, autocon.org.

Beth Israel Congregation (Conservative), 2000 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 665–9897. Est. 1916. Rabbi Nadav Caine. Membership: 453 households. Minyan: Sun.–Thurs. 7 p.m. Shabbat: Fri. 6 p.m. & Sat. 9:30 a.m. office@bethisrael-an.org, bethisrael-an.org

Chabad House, 715 Hill. (734) 995–3276. Est. 1975. Rabbi Aharon Goldstein, director. Membership: 250. Shabbat services, holiday services, mikvah on premises. Weekday minyan, shared with Hillel, held at 1429 Hill. chabad@jewmich.com, jewnich.com/

Jewish Cultural Society, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Services). (734) 975–9872. Est. 1965. Secular Humanistic Jewish. Julie Gales, Madrikha. Membership: 60 households. Monthly First Friday Shabbat, 6:30 p.m. in person/online. Family-oriented holiday observances. info@jewishculturalsociety.org.

Michigan Hillel, 1429 Hill. (734) 769–0500. Est. 1926. Senior rabbi Rav Lisa Stella. Services for Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform most weeks during U-M fall and winter semesters. High Holiday services open to community members and visiting guests by reservation. Kosher grab-and-go meals available for purchase during school terms. michiganhillel@

Temple Beth Emeth (Reform), 2309 Packard. (734) 665–4744. Est. 1966. Rabbi Josh Whinston, Cantor Emma Maier. Membership: 565 families. Services in person/online. Tot Shabbat Fri. 5:45 p.m. (Sept.—June), Elementary Shabbat 2nd Fri. 5:45 p.m., regular service 6:30 p.m. (lay-led in July & Aug.), Torah Study Sat. 8:50 a.m. and service at 10 a.m. the atom-plebeth control templebeth control templ

## LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1385 Green. Ann Arbor 1st & 2nd Wards. Est. 1954. Bishops Stuart Woolley (1st Ward) and Rob Thompson



Founded in 1972, the Muslim Community Association of Ann Arbor has 1,500 members.

(2nd Ward). Membership: 400. Sun. 9 a.m. (1st Ward) and 11:15 a.m. (2nd Ward). churchoffesuschrist.org

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 914 Hill. Young single adult ward. Bishop Brian West. Sun. noon. <u>churchoficsuschrist.org</u>

## LUTHERAN

ELCA: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; LCMS: Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod; RIC: Reconciling in Christ; WELS: Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

Darlington Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS), 3545 Packard. (734) 971–0560. Est. 1946. Rev. Edward Zell. Membership: 62. Sun. 10 a.m.

Emmaus Lutheran Church, 420 W. Liberty (St. Paul Lutheran Church). (810) 990–7572. Est. 2023. Pastor Chris Troxel. Membership: 45. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. info@emmausannarbor.org.

King of Kings Lutheran Church (ELCA & RIC), 2685 Packard. (734) 971–1417. Est. 1970. Pastor Dana Runestad. Membership: 150 families and 192 subscribers. Sun. 9:30 a.m. in person/online. content of kingsoft in particle k

Lord of Light Lutheran Church/Lutheran Campus Ministry, 801 S. Forest. (734) 668–7622. Est. 1917. Pastor Elizabeth Friedman. Sun. 5 p.m. Intern@content.pet, lcm-um.org

Peace Lutheran Church (LCMS), 8260 Jackson Rd. (734) 424–0899. Est. 1993. Pastor Andrew Pronsati. Membership: 350. Sun. 8:30 a.m. (traditional), 11 a.m. (praise) in person/online & 6 p.m. (outside, weather permitting). Memorial Day–Labor Day Sun. praise service 10 a.m. peacelutheran@peaceaa.net.peaceaa.net

Redeemer Lutheran Church and U-M Campus Ministry (WELS), 1360 Pauline. (734) 662–0663. Est. 1944. Pastor Jacob Haag. Membership: 80. Sun. 10 a.m. contact@rlca2.com, rlca2.com T

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS), 7474 Scio Church Rd. (734) 623–0919. Est. 1833. Pastor Paul D. Jansen. Membership: 407. Sun. 10 a.m. pastor@salem-annarbor.org

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS), 2945 E. Northfield Church Rd. (734) 761–1740. Est. 1869. Pastor John P. Gierach. Membership: 162. First Sun. after Labor Day-last Sun. in May 10:30 a.m.; 1st Sun. in June–1st Sun. in Sept. 9:30 a.m. st.johnsammorg. 2945 @yahoo.com; stlomsammorg. on

St. Luke Lutheran Church (LCMS), 4205 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 971–0550. Est. 1958. Transitional pastor Rev. Dr. Todd Jones. Sun. 8:30 a.m. (traditional) & 11 a.m. (contemporary) in person/online. Summer worship: Sun. 8:30 a.m. (traditional) & 10:30 a.m. (contemporary). office@stlukeaa.org

St. Paul Lutheran Church (LCMS), 420 W. Liberty. (734) 665–9117. Est. 1908. Senior pastor Rev. Dr. Theodore Hopkins. Associate pastor Rev. Aaron Roggow. Membership: 1,000. Regular worship: Sat. 6:30 p.m. & Sun. 8:30 a.m. (10:45 a.m. at St. Paul School). 495 Earhart). Summer worship: Sat. 6:30 p.m. & Sun. 8:30 a.m. (10:15 a.m. at St. Paul School).

St. Thomas Lutheran Church (LCMS), 10001 W. Ellsworth. (734) 663–7511. Est. 1842. Rev. Coleman Geraci. Sun. 9 a.m. suthermusiems.org

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA & RIC), 1400 W. Stadium. (734) 662–4419. Est. 1893, Interim pastor Krister Ulmanis. Membership: 350. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. trinitya2.org

**University Lutheran Chapel,** 1511 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 663–5560. Community church with campus ministry focus. Pastor Gabe Kasper, campus pastor

Marcus Lane. Sun. 8 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m. info@ulcannarbor.org, ulcannarbor.org

Zion Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1501 W. Liberty. (734) 994–4455. Est. 1833. Pastors Jim Debner, Anna Taylor-McCants, and Greer Cherney. Membership: 1,500. Sun. 9 a.m. (Sola Worship) & 11:11 a.m. (Ignite Worship) in person/online. Memorial Day—Labor Day 8:30 a.m. (outside drive-in service). Into a statement of the statement of the service of the service

## **MENNONITE**

Ann Arbor Mennonite Church, 2566 Arrowwood Tr. (Arrowwood Hills Community Center). (734) 657–6055. Est. 1967. Rev. Chibu Ozor. Membership: 12. Sun. 10:30 a.m. & Wed. 7 p.m. amartisments wordpress.com

Shalom Community Church (Mennonite/Church of the Brethren), 1001 Green (Green Wood FUMC). (734) 707–1212. Est. 1974. Pastors Jo Hatlem & Trevor Bechtel. Membership: 75. Sun. 11 a.m., in person/online. pastors@shalomcc.org shalomcc.org

## **MESSIANIC JEWISH**

Congregation Zera Avraham, 704 Airport Blvd. (734) 707–8145. Est. 1993. Rabbi Isaac Roussel. Sat. 10 a.m. in person/online. contact@czaa2.org.

## **METHODIST**

Dixboro United Methodist Church, 5221 Church St., Dixboro. (734) 665–5632. Est. 1858. Rev. Mary Butler-Loring. Membership: 200. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. dixboroumc@gmail.com. dixboroumc@gmail.com.

First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor, 120 S. State. (734) 662–4536. Est. 1827. Pastors Nancy Lynn and Jenaba Waggy. Membership: 730. Sun. 10 a.m. year-round, Sat. 5 p.m. at Green Wood campus (1001 Green). info@figue-22 org. fumc-a2 org.

Korean United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor, 1536 Franklin. (734) 780–7320. Est. 1981. Pastor Hyun-Jun Cho. Sun. 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. in person/online. kumcas into @ graphl.com. kumcas one

Living Grace Ministry, 1536 Franklin. Est. 2023. Pastor Steve Khang. Sun. 1:30 p.m. in person/online. Invinggraceministry & gmail com. Its inggraceministry.

Wesley Foundation at the University of Michigan, 602 E. Huron. (First United Methodist Church). (734) 668–6881. An open and affirming United Methodist campus ministry. Rev. Tim Kobler. Sun. 6 p.m. in Wesley Lounge during academic year.

West Side United Methodist Church, 900 S. Seventh. (734) 663–4164. Est. 1847. Pastor Adam Bissell. Membership: 305. Sun. 10:30 a.m. westands time time to a gawests designed from westands time time to a gawests designed from the sun of the sun

## MUSLIM

Masjid At-Taqwa, 2680 Golfside. (734) 709–7363. Est. 2008. Imam Ahmed. Open for all five daily prayers; currently no jama'ah/congregational prayer



Chinmaya Mission (Hindu) serves 800 families at its Ann Arbor temple on Packard.

on Fri. masjidattaqwaaa@gmail.com, masjidattaqwa.

Muslim Community Association of Ann Arbor, 2301 Plymouth Rd. (734) 665–6772. Est. 1972. Imam Dr. Abdelhamid Algizawi. Membership: 1,500. imam.algizawi@mca-a2.org, mca-a2.org

## NONDENOMINATIONAL

Accelerate Church, PO Box 2625, AA 48106. (734) 585–5660. Est. 2010. Pastor Lester Guest. Membership: 70. Sun. 3 p.m. info@acceleratechurch.org, acceleratechurch.org

Antioch Community Church, 911 North University (Michigan League). Sun. 10 a.m. Pastors John and Jami Nadzam. admin@antiocha2.org, antiocha2.org

Arbor Bridge Church, 2500 S. Main. (734) 662–2756. Est. 1941. Pastor Darryl Canty. Membership: 100. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. darryl@arbor-oridgechurch.com, arborbridgechurch.com

Church in Ann Arbor, 530 S. State, 1st fl. (Michigan Union Pond Rm.). Membership: 35. Sun. 10:10 a.m. in person/online. <a href="mailto:church">church</a> in person/online.

Fellowship Bible Church, 2775 Bedford. (734) 971–2837. Est. 1981. Pastor Matthew Postiff. Membership: 75. Sun. 9:45 (online), 10:45 a.m., & 6 p.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m. info@fbcaa.org, fbcaa.org T

the greenroom, 410 W. Huron. (Yellow Barn/ Theatre Nova). Est. 2010. Pastor Scott Crownover. Mon. 7:30 p.m. in person/online. greenrooma2@gmail.com, thegreenroomchurch.com

Little Flock Church, 825 N. Maple. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. <u>a2littleflock.church</u>

New Life Church, 1541 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 623–6313. Est. 1998. Membership: 450. Sun. 10:01 a.m. info@newlifea2.org, newlifea2.org

Radiant Church, 410 S. Maple (behind Kroger). (734) 418–2012. Est. 2012. Pastor Jeremy Brown. Sun. 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. in person/online. info@radianta2.com, radianta2.com

Redeemer Ann Arbor, 529 Detroit St. (734) 233–4575. Est. 2015. Pastors Jim Mong, Bart Bryant, and Scott Simpson. Membership: 125. Sun. 10:30 a.m. Currently meets in the Rogel Ballroom at the Michigan Union (530 S. State) until the new location is ready. jmong@redeemera2.org, redeemera2.org

Vineyard Church of Ann Arbor, 2275 Platt. (734) 477–9135. Est. 1975. Pastor Rev. Donnell Wyche. Membership: 425. Sün. 10:45 a.m. in person/online. mainoffice@annarborvineyard.org, annarborvineyard.org

## **ORTHODOX PENTECOSTAL**

Labor of Love International Ministries, 3350 Textile. (734) 528–3663. Est. 1992. Pastor Donna Hawthorne. Membership: 250. Sun. 10 a.m. info@laboroflovechurch.org, laboroflovechurch.org

## **PRESBYTERIAN**

EPC: Evangelical Presbyterian Church; PCUSA: Presbyterian Church (USA); PCA: Presbyterian Church in America.

Ann Arbor Taiwanese Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw (First Presbyterian Church). (734) 922–5341. Est. 1976. Pastor Ho-Tek Tan. Sun. 2 p.m. tanhotek@gmail.com

Calvary Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), 2727 Fernwood. (734) 971–3121. Est. 1946. Membership; 31. Sun. 10 a.m. calvarya2@gmail.com, calvarya2.com Christ Church Ann Arbor (PCA), 2301 South Industrial. (734) 203–0389. Est. 2012. Pastor Jeremy Byrd. Membership: 100. Sun. 10:30 a.m. churchinfo@christchurcha2.org. christchurcha2.org.

First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor (PCU-SA), 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 662–4466. Est. 1826. Rev. David Prentice-Hyers. Sun. (Sept.-May) 8:30, 9:30, & 11:15 a.m. (June-Aug.) 8:30 & 9:30 a.m. (in person/online). First Tues. 7 p.m. (Taizé service resumes Oct. 1). info@firstpresbyterian.org, firstpresbyterian.org

Knox Presbyterian Church (EPC), 2065 S. Wagner: (734) 761–5669. Est. 1992. Pastor Bryan Gregory. Membership: 550. Sun. 9:30 a.m. knox@knoxann-arbor org. knox annucleor org.

Korean Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor (PCA), 2141 Brockman. (734) 680–5221. Est. 1982. Pastor Jae Joong Hwang. Membership: 100. Sun. 9 & 11 a.m.; 1:30 p.m. young adult service. kpcannarbor@email.com. kpcaa.us

Northside Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), 1679 Broadway. (734) 663–5503. Est. 1959. Rev. Jenny Saperstein. Membership: 45. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/ online. nam.ministries@sbcglobal.net, northsidepres.

Red Tree Presbyterian Church, 530 S. State (Michigan Union). (734) 746–5022. Est. 2023. Pastor Ryan McVicar. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online.

Westminster Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), 1500 Scio Church Rd. (734) 761–9320. Est. 1956. Membership: 120. Sun 11 a.m. in person/online. wpcoffice@westpresa2.org. westpresa2.org. T

## **QUAKER (SOCIETY OF FRIENDS)**

Ann Arbor Friends Meeting, 1420 Hill. (734) 761–7435. Est. 1935. Clerk Karen Connor: Membership: 122. Sun. 9 (except for 3rd Sun.) & 11 a.m. in person/online; 3rd Sun. 7:45 a.m.; 5th Sun. 10 a.m.; Thurs. 9 a.m. online only. clerks@annarborfriends.org, annarborfriends.org

## REFORMED

Ann Arbor Christian Reformed Church, 1717 Broadway. (734) 665–0105. Est. 1961. Pastors Noah Livingston, Kristen Livingston, and Mike Hoogeboom. Membership: 300. Sun. 10:30 a.m. office@aacrc.org, aacrc.org

Ann Arbor Hope Christian Reformed Church, 2500 S. Main. (734) 678–6462. Est. 1990. Pastors Joseph Hun-Suk Bae & Brandon Kim. Membership: 220. Sun. 2 p.m. (Korean & English). pastorbae@gmail.com, aahope.net T

Campus Chapel, 1236 Washtenaw Ct. (734) 668–7421. Est. 1940. Rev. Matt Ackerman. Membership: 50. Sun. 10:30 a.m. Summer worship: Sun. 5 p.m. office@campuschapel.org, campuschapel.org

Grace Ann Arbor, 2803 Boardwalk. (734) 210–1150. Est. 2009. Pastor Dan Rodriguez. Membership: 625. Sun. 9:30 & 11 a.m.; online message at noon. office@gracechurch.city, gracechurch.city

Grace Ann Arbor North, 3150 Glazier. (734) 210–1527. Est. 2023. Pastor Mike Critch. Membership: 150. Sun. 10 a.m. gracenorthoffice@gracechurch.city, gracechurch.city

Grace Ann Arbor West, 5171 Jackson Rd. (734) 210–0474. Est. 2018. Pastor Stephanie Ehmke. Membership: 150. Sun. 10 a.m. westoffice@gracechurch.city, gracechurch.city

## **SALVATION ARMY**

The Salvation Army, 100 Arbana. (734) 668–8353. Major Brian Goodwill. Membership: 85. Sun. 11 a.m. emi.annarbor@usc.salvationarmy.org, centralusa, salvationarmy.org/washtenaw T

## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

Ann Arbor Seventh-day Adventist Church, 2796 Packard. (734) 971–5919. Est. 1899. Pastor Danny Rodriguez. Membership: 150. Sat. 11 a.m. in person/ online. annarborsdachurch.org T

## **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST**

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, 4001 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (734) 665–6158. Est. 1865. Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti. Membership: 516. Sept.–May Sun. 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. and Memorial Day weekend–Labor Day weekend 10:30 a.m. in person/online. office@uuaa.org. uuaa.org

## UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bethlehem United Church of Christ, 423 S. Fourth Ave. (734) 665–6149. Est. 1833. Membership: 479. Sun. 10 a.m. info@bethlehem-ucc.org, bethlehem-

Church of the Good Shepherd, 2145 Independence. (734) 971–6133. Est. 1957. Rev. Dr. Deborah Dean-Ware. Membership: 140. Multiracial. Sun. 10:15 a.m. assistantpastor@cogsaa.org, cogsaa.org

## UNITY

Unity Church of Ann Arbor, 4599 Carpenter, Ypsilanti. (734) 434–8545. Est. 1971. Sun. 10 a.m. Located inside It's a Small World Daycare. <a href="mailto:staff@unitya2.org">staff@unitya2.org</a>, unitya2.org

Unity on Campus Ministry. (734) 787–3664. Est. 1998. Rev. Ernestine Griffin. Meets online every 2nd & 4th Fri. unityoncampus@aol.com.unityoncampus.org



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## PETS

## **Health Emergencies**

Animal Urgent Center, 215 N. Maple, ste. A1 (Maple Village). (734) 531–7540. Emergency and urgent care veterinary services for dogs and cats. Mon.–Fri. 1–9 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m.–7 p.m. contact@animal-urgentcenter.com.

Ann Arbor Animal Hospital, 2150 W. Liberty. (734) 662–4474. Specializes in small animal care: cats, dogs, and some other small mammals. Services by appointment Mon.–Fri. 8 a.m.–7 p.m. and Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.–2 p.m. Emergency and urgent care also available during regular hours and Sat. & Sun. 2–6 p.m. clientinfo@annarboranimalhospital.com, annarboranimalhospital.com

BluePearl Specialty + Emergency Pet Hospital, 4126 Packard. (734) 971–8774. Emergency veterinary care for dogs and cats. Specialty services by appointment only. Mon. & Thurs.—Sun. 10 a.m.—9 p.m.; Tues. & Wed. 8:30 a.m.—9 p.m. info.annarbor@bluepearlvet.com bluepearlvet.com/hospital/ann-arbor-mi

Emergency Veterinary Hospital, 5245 Jackson Rd., ste. E. (734) 369–6446. 24-hour emergency and urgent care for cats, dogs, and exotic pets. Check in online. Indoor visits limited to pets. Call upon arrival for transport of your leashed or carrier-confined pet into the office. staff@emergencyvetannarbor.comemergencyvetannarbor.com

## Activities

Ann Arbor Companion Bird Club. Mary, (313) 492–0826. Education about companion birds and information on nutrition, care, behavior, and rescue. Public may adopt rescue birds, such as macaws, cockatiels, African grays, and others. Email to meet a bird. Meets 2nd Sun. 2 p.m. at Hollywood Feed (3330 Washtenaw Ave.). mdw0123@aol.com aacbc.org

BIPOC Birders of Michigan. Dedicated to introducing and encouraging people of color to the world of birding. Hosts field trips to birding sites and supports individuals in birding. Open to all. <a href="mailto:bipocbirdersofmi.">bipocbirdersofmi.</a> wordpress.com

Dog Parks. Broadway and Olson parks are city-maintained off-leash parks; the 10-acre Swift Run park is city- and county-maintained. (Maintenance closures in 2024 at Swift Run. Check website.) All have areas for small and large dogs. Permit required. Read website FAQs before attending. a2gov.org/dog-parks V

The Petting Farm, 3001 Earhart (near Domino's Farms Office Park). (734) 998–0182. Since 1984. Ponies, alpacas, llamas, goats, pigs, sheep, chickens, peacocks, cows, bunnies, and donkeys. Hayrides are available most weekends. Playground, Maggie the Milking Cow demonstrator statue, birthday party packages, and private events. Adults & children \$8; seniors (60+) \$5.50; children 23 months and younger free; families \$40. Open year-round; hours vary seasonally. Discounts for military, first responders, and parties of 15+. info@pettingfarm.com pettingfarm.com V, S

Therapaws of Michigan. Canine-assisted therapy. All-volunteer program dedicated to promoting and fostering the human-animal bond in therapeutic and educational settings. Individual owner-dog teams visit schools and libraries, patients in hospitals, and residents in extended care facilities, providing social, emotional, and physical benefits. info@therapaws.org therapaws.org V

Therapeutic Riding, Inc., 3425 E. Morgan. (734) 677–0303. Adaptive horsemanship, equestrian sport riding, and para-dressage for children and adults with

physical, cognitive, and developmental disabilities. Volunteer opportunities for age 14+ as side walkers, horse leaders, barn help, and farm visit support. info@therapeuticridinginc.org, therapeuticridinginc.org V

Washtenaw Bird & Nature Alliance (formerly Washtenaw Audubon Society). Monthly programs feature guest speakers on a variety of natural history and birding topics. Conducts field trips around southeast Michigan and as far away as Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and conducts special events, such as Christmas Bird Count. washtenawbna.org

## **Adoption & Advocacy**

Animals & Society Institute, 2512 Carpenter, ste. 202A. (734) 677–9240. A nonprofit human-animal relationship think tank devoted to advancing human knowledge to improve the lives of animals and people, leading to more humane and compassionate communities. animalsandsociety.org V

Ann Arbor Cat Clinic, 3690 Packard. (734) 973–9090. Feline veterinary hospital with an adoption program that places stray cats into permanent homes. Does not accept cats surrendered by their owners. aacc@annarborcatclinic.com, annarborcatclinic.com

Barn Sanctuary, 20179 McKernan, Chelsea. (734) 270–6845. Rescues and rehabilitates abused and neglected farmed animals while providing a safe haven where they can recover and thrive. Tours (with advance registration) include meeting the animals and learning more about their backgrounds. Field trips, group tours, and public tours are offered May–Oct. Private tours held year-round. jenny@barnsanctuary.org, barnsanctuary.org V

Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary, PO Box 7, Whittaker 48190. (734) 985–9220. Provides safe haven for abandoned, abused, and neglected domestic rabbits and other animals with the goal of finding them new homes; those not eligible for adoption remain in sanctuary. Tours on the 2nd Sun. by appointment. <a href="mailto:adoptions@rabbitsanctuary.org">adoptions@rabbitsanctuary.org</a>, <a href="mailto:rabbitsanctuary.org">rabbitsanctuary.org</a> V

Happy Hearts Feline Rescue, 10905 E. Pleasant Lake Rd., Manchester 48158 (mailing address). (734) 545–2906. Sanctuary and foster care for older (8+years), critically ill cats, and treatment of kittens and cats with FIP. happyheartsfelinerescue@gmail.com.happyheartsfelinerescue.org V

Humane Society of Huron Valley (HSHV), 3100 Cherry Hill. (734) 662–5585. Pet adoptions: (734) 662–5585. Lost/found pets: (734) 661–3545. Affordable veterinary clinic open to public: (734) 662–4365. Monthly discount vaccine clinics: hshv.org/vaccineclinics. The Friends for Life program offers help for seniors and others struggling to keep their pets with vet care, food, and supplies: (734) 661–3550. Humane Education program includes camps, field trips, parties, and tours. Relationship-based dog training. Trap, Neuter, and Return helps control outdoor cat population. info@hshv.org. hshv.org V

Kat Snips, 10905 Pleasant Lake Rd., Manchester 48158 (mailing address). Spay/neutering service for cats. Washtenaw, Jackson, Lenawee, and Hillsdale counties, \$45/cat. All other counties, \$55/cat. You will receive a voucher to take your cat to a participating veterinarian. Rabies vaccination is included. Apply online. katsnips.org

Leuk's Landing, 5508 Tanglewood, AA 48105 (mailing address). (734) 665–7431. Provides a permanent home for cats and kittens diagnosed with feline leukemia. Facility in Superior Twp. houses 30 cats and kittens. Places cats in short- and long-term foster care within a half hour of Ann Arbor, and provides all supplies—food, litter, treats, toys—as well as all vet care. Those who foster provide the love. In need of short- and long-term foster homes. Jeukslanding@gmail.com leukslanding.org V

Little Mews Rescue. (734) 304–0123. Serves Southeastern Michigan. Houses stray, unwanted, neglected, or abused cats and kittens in foster homes while waiting for adoption. In need of volunteers for fostering and PetSmart adoption center in Ypsilanti. <a href="mailto:little-mews@yahoo.com">little-mews@yahoo.com</a> littlemews.org V

Pet Pals Mutual Aid. (734) 347–7784. Helps humans keep and care for their companion animals. Provides pet food and supplies and helps with hotel rooms in extreme (cold or hot) temps for people living outside with their pets. Works with HSHV to provide free spay and neutering. Volunteers help unload donations, fill the pet food pantry, deliver food, expand outreach and fundraising, and more. petpalsmutualaid@gmail.com petpalsmutualaid.com V



Susan Starr offers horse a carrot at the Petting Farm at Domino's Farms (Activities) while granddaughters Cameron and Sloane Starr look on. Other residents include alpacas, goats, pigs, and peacocks.

SASHA Farm (Sanctuary and Safe Haven for Animals), 17901 Mahrle, Manchester. (734) 218–8897. The largest farm animal sanctuary in the Midwest. info@sashafarm.org sashafarm.org V

Tiny Lions Lounge & Adoption Center, 5245 Jackson Rd. (734) 661–3530. Cat café; spend time with kittens and cats from the HSHV who are looking for homes. No obligation to adopt. Tues.—Sat. noon–7 p.m., Sun. noon–5 p.m. Closed Mon. \$6/half hour; \$10/hour. Make reservations online. tinylions.org V

## LAWS & ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control. Emergency: 911. Humane Society: (734) 662–5585. The City of Ann Arbor Police Department partners with the HSHV to respond to animal nuisance complaints, pick up healthy stray animals, and investigate animal bites.

Ann Arbor Pet Laws. Dog owners must have their pets leashed or confined at all times and clean up after their dogs on public and private property. Licenses are mandatory for dogs older than 6 months. 1 year \$6 neutered/\$12 unaltered; 3 year \$15/\$30. No charge for service dogs. Licenses expire on rabies vaccination certificate expiration. a250v.org/

Owners must provide proper food, drink, and shelter from the weather for their animal(s) and medical attention to prevent their animal(s) from suffering. a2gov.org (search for Animal Control)

Reporting Animal Cruelty. To report a sick or injured animal or suspected animal cruelty, call the Humane Society of Huron Valley hotline: (734) 661–3512. Leave the address with major cross streets and a detailed account or file a report online at hshv. org/get-help/report-animal-abuse. Michigan law defines animal cruelty as: failure to provide an animal with adequate food, water, shelter, sanitary conditions, exercise, or medical treatment; improperly tethering (or chaining); abandoning or causing an animal to be abandoned; beating, torturing, maiming, or killing an animal; willfully or negligently allowing an animal to suffer; transporting an animal in a vehicle in a cruel or inhumane manner; poisoning or exposing an animal to poison; and/or cropping a dog's ears or docking a dog's tail (unless performed by a registered veterinary surgeon).

## WILDLIFE

Birding Sites. For descriptions and directions to major birding sites in Ann Arbor and beyond, see <a href="https://www.personal.umich.edu/~bbowman/birds/se\_mich/locations">www.personal.umich.edu/~bbowman/birds/se\_mich/locations</a>

The Creature Conservancy, 4950 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (734) 929–9324. Strives to create personal

connections among people, animals, and their shared environment. Visitors may meet an alligator, warthog, cougar, and many other animals. Host events at their location or yours. Private tours, field trips, special events, First Friday adult (18+) events, elementary school kid camps, and birthday parties. See outdoor animals daily year-round, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (donations appreciated). Indoor exhibits open Sat. & Sun. 11:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Tickets at the door only: \$15 age 13+; \$13, ages 2–12; under 2, free. Includes educational animal presentation (programs change monthly) and kids craft and enrichment area. info@thecreatureconservancy.org V

Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Wildlife division: (517) 284–9453. Contact for questions related to hunting, wildlife, and habitat management. Tips on handling conflicts with wildlife, nuisance animal control directory, and a listing of licensed wildlife rehabilitators at michigan.gov/dnr/managing-resources/wildlife Visit michigan.gov/eyesinthefields to report wildlife observations, such as wild turkey counts or diseased animals. If you witness a natural resource violation report it immediately by texting or calling 800–292–7800 (phone line is open 24/7) or emailing. dnr-wildlife@michigan.gov michigan.gov/dnr/managing-resources/laws/rap V

Natural Area Preservation (City of Ann Arbor), 3875 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 794–6627. Staff and volunteers conduct plant and animal inventories, ecological monitoring, and stewardship projects in Ann Arbor parks. Projects include volunteer surveys of breeding birds, frogs/toads, turtles, and salamanders; seed collecting and sowing; conducting prescribed burns; and more. Volunteer training provided. Leads group hikes and offers educational opportunities. nap@a2gov.org a2gov.org/nap V

## RESCUE & REMOVAL

Bird Center of Michigan, 7800 Platt, Saline. (734) 761–9640. Emergency care for orphaned and injured wild songbirds with the intent of returning them to their habitats. Provides referrals for injured waterfowl and raptors such as hawks and owls. 8 a.m.–8 p.m., May–Oct., 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Nov.–Apr. clinic@birdcentermi.org. hirdcentermi.org V

Friends of Wildlife, PO Box 1505, AA 48106. (734) 548–3132. Volunteers rescue, rehabilitate, and release orphaned or injured wildlife. Licensed by and closely works with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. See website for species-specific phone numbers to call when you find injured wildlife. friend-sofwildlifemi@gmail.com friendsofwildlife.net V

Humane Society of Huron Valley Wildlife Rescue/ Removal, 3100 Cherry Hill. (734) 661–3512. Wildlife rescue & humane wildlife removal service. hshv. org/get-help/wildlife V

## **Pet Pals Mutual Aid**

## Helping pets, and their people, on the street

The frantic call came from a woman in a homeless camp under a bridge in Ann Arbor where she and her boyfriend were living. She said that Princess, her boyfriend's lab-boxer mix and traveling companion, was in rough shape. Princess had given birth to a litter of puppies just three days prior, and the boyfriend was selling them.

Pet Pals Mutual Aid isn't a rescue organization, but volunteer Karen Jacobson loaded her car with dog food and water and headed straight to the camp. Through a yearlong respectful intervention, Princess and her puppies were ultimately saved and adopted—including one, Koira, by Jacobson. The boyfriend returned home and kicked drugs.

Pet Pals, a grassroots group of five volunteers, helps unhoused and housing-insecure people care for their pets by providing pet food, litter, and other supplies, as well as spay/neuter vouchers, hotel rooms during extreme weather, and other support. They launched in Ypsilanti in 2020, but offer their services across Washtenaw County.

Founder Sheri Wander, who also founded Mercy House in Ann Arbor and Peace House in Ypsilanti, says people on the street will go to great lengths to keep their pets: "People stay outside in blizzards or scorching heat because their pet isn't allowed in shelters, libraries, the bus, and elsewhere. They choose to stay with what is often their sole source of unconditional love.

"Most of what we do is collect surplus pet food from stores, or food that someone's pet didn't like," she continues. "People [also] buy food and supplies through our Amazon list. After someone passes away, we sometimes get food, toys, beds, litter, and other things." They also receive regular donations from Ann Arbor—area pet stores and the Humane Society of Huron Valley.

While Pet Pals and HSHV's Bountiful Bowls program serve the same populations, HSHV's location, and lack of bus service, transportation, and delivery, make access difficult for unhoused people. Pet Pals bridges the gap by meeting people where they are. They stock Peace House's 24/7 open pantry, and bring supplies to the FedUp Ministries food truck and to monthly Pull Over Prevention events.

HSHV provides some vouchers for spaying and neutering, and Pet Pals raises money for additional vet care. Volunteers keep their eyes open for animals and their owners in need. Wander keeps supplies in her trunk, just in case.

"We're always stretched to the max," she says. "We try hard to deliver to people who can't come to us, but sometimes that doesn't work. Volunteers willing to make deliveries would help a lot."

Jacobson recently found an Ann Arbor man living in his car with his pit bull in devastating heat. She helped the two with food and a hotel.

Funding for hotels during inclement weather is "super-important, life-saving," Wander notes. "It's almost second nature to think about people when the weather is brutally cold, but it's easy to forget the dangers of ninety-degree weather, poor air quality, and humidity to them and their pets." She adds that many of their clients, particularly veterans, make hotel requests around the Fourth of July because the sound of fireworks frightens their pets.

Some argue that unhoused and housinginsecure people shouldn't have pets. The point is moot, Jacobson says; they do.

"I get all the time that homeless people shouldn't have pets," she bristles. "Do you know that homeless people are the best rescuers? If they see a dog being abused or not treated right by one of their fellow homeless people, they will correct that."

She and Wander agree that owners on the street often keep their pets in better condition than they do themselves, or even than people with significant resources. But crises often put housing-insecure people in the hospital, rehab, or jail, and they risk losing their pets while they're gone.

Choosing to surrender their animal is as heartbreaking as it is for anybody, and long-term fostering is nearly impossible to find. For that reason, Wander says, "I am determined to try to create a network of people willing to foster pets."

-Anita LeBlanc



Karen Jacobson visits with Sasha, one of Princess's puppies, at West Park. Pet Pals helps unhoused and housing-insecure people care for their pets with food, litter, and other supplies, hotel rooms during extreme weather, and other support.



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## ABUSE, ASSAULT, & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Abuse and Neglect Hotline (Washtenaw County Protective Services, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services). (855) 444-3911 (24 hours). Connects to Children's Protective Services and Adult Protective Services, which investigate allegations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and provide protection to vulnerable children and adults. michi-

SafeHouse Center, 4100 Clark. 24-hour helpline: (734) 995-5444 (translation available). Business line: (734) 973-0242. Free and confidential services to survivors of intimate partner (domestic) violence and survivors of sexual assault, who live or work in Washtenaw County. Services include individual and group support, legal advocacy & Personal Protection Orders, and emergency shelter. safehousecenter.org V

American Red Cross 24-Hour Emergency Services, (305) 644-1200. Disaster assistance, including food, clothing, temporary shelter, personal care items, mental health assistance, financial aid, and health services. Reunifies loved ones separated by emergency, war, or natural disasters overseas. The Hero Care Network provides emergency communications to active duty service members during emergencies at home. ross.org/local/michigan/get-help.html V

Ann Arbor Office of Emergency Management, 111 N. Fifth Ave. (734) 794-6961. Coordinates all city emergency planning for weather-related and other disasters; maintains an emergency operations center; sends emergency alerts; conducts emergency preparedness training; and operates a citywide storm/tornado warning siren system. oem@a2gov.org, a2gov. partments/fire/emergency-managemen

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Washtenaw County Emergency Operations Center. General information: (734) 222-3911. Coordinates disaster preparation, response, and public information about dangerous weather, hazardous material response, or any large-scale emergency. Emergency Alert System links to all radio and television

## **ENVIRONMENT**

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> and/or emergency basis. Also provides assistance on how to apply for food benefits and referrals to outside agencies for other critical services. Tues. 2-5:30 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. csswashtenaw.org/ Ozone House. 24-hour crisis line: (734) 662-2222

**FAMILY CRISES** 

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(call or text). Youth Center: 1600 N. Huron River Dr., Ypsilanti. Drop-in center: 102 N. Hamilton, Ypsilanti, (734) 485–2222. Free, confidential support for youth and families in crisis, including homelessness, suicidal thoughts, and family conflicts. Shortterm shelter, support, and programs for ages 10-17; longer-term housing and support for ages 171/2-24. ozonehouse.org V

The Trevor Project, 24-hour lifeline: (866) 488-7386, text: START to 678-678, or live chat on website to reach crisis counselor. Free & confidential suicide prevention and crisis intervention lifeline for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning people up to age 25. Affirming, online community of LGBTQ+ youth on TrevorSpace (trevorspace.org). thetrevorproject.org/get-help V

## **HEALTH EMERGENCIES**

Michigan Medicine Children's Emergency Services, 1540 E. Hospital Dr., 2nd fl. (C.S. Mott Children's Hospital). (734) 936–4230. 24-hour emergency care for medical/surgical emergencies and minor/major illnesses or injuries for youth up to age 20. mottchildren.org/conditions-treatments/

Michigan Medicine Emergency Room, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936-6666. 24-hour emergency care. uofmhealth.org/medical-services

Michigan Medicine Psychiatric Emergency Services, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr., fl. B1, rm. A240. (734) 936–5900 (24 hours). Suicide and Crisis lifeline: 988 (call or text). 24/7 treatment for people of all ages facing psychiatric emergencies. Suicide and emotional crisis intervention by phone or walk-in. Enter through U-M Health Adult Emergency Services entrance. uofmhealth.org/medical-services/

Michigan Poison & Drug Information Center. (800) 222-1222 (24 hours). Provides treatment recommendations, hospital referrals, and follow-up calls for people of all ages facing poison emergencies. When calling, provide the patient's name, phone number, age, weight, allergies, medications, and symptoms. Have the substance with you during the call to provide its name and time since exposure.

Trinity Health Emergency-Ann Arbor Hospital, 5301 McAuley, Ypsilanti. (734) 712-3000. 24-hour emergency care. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/ nn-arbor-ho

U-M School of Dentistry Emergency Clinic, 1011 North University. (888) 707–2500. Emergency dental treatment. Call for appointment and fees. Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. dent.umich.edu/patients

## **HOUSING CRISES**

Housing Access for Washtenaw County. (734) 961-1999 (Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.). Single point of entry for all county shelters. For Washtenaw County residents who face eviction, owe back rent, are experiencing homelessness, or have no ongoing place to

Salvation Army, 100 Arbana. (734) 668-8353. Emergency help with past-due utilities bills. Food pantry hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:30–11:45 a.m. & 1:15-3 p.m. Call for appointment. V

State Emergency Relief Program (Michigan Department of Health & Human Services), 22 Center, Ypsilanti. (734) 481–2000. Provides help to individ-uals and families for emergencies that threaten health and safety, including heat/utility shutoffs and eviction. Mon.–Fri. 8 a.m.–5 p.m. michigan.gov/mdhhs

## POLICE & FIRE

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U-M Division of Public Safety and Security, 1239 Kipke. Administration: 109 E. Madison. Nonemergencies: (734) 763–1131 or text 377911 (24 hours). DPSS conducts all U-M police and security operations. Administration: (734) 763-8391. Anonymous tip line: (800) 863-1355. dpss-safety-security@

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office, 2201 Hogback. Nonemergency dispatch: (734) 994–2911 (24 hours). General information: (734) 971–8400. Inmate information: (734) 585–7247. The sheriff provides local police services in parts of the City Guide area, including Ann Arbor, Freedom, Lodi, Scio, and Superior townships. sheriffinfo@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/1124/sheriff V

### **SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

Al-Anon. (734) 995-4949. 12-step support group for families and friends of alcoholics. For in-person and Zoom meeting schedules, see hvai.ors

Alcoholics Anonymous, 2727 Fernwood (church annex; AA is not affiliated with any religious/political group). Meeting locator helpline: (734) 482–5700 (9 a.m.-11 p.m. daily). Office: (734) 482-0707. 12-step support groups for anyone who desires to stop drink Call or visit website for in-person and Zoom meeting schedule. office@hvai.org, hvai.org

Narcan availability. Narcan is a life-saving medication that rapidly reverses an opioid overdose. Free dispensers in Ann Arbor District Library branches, Ann Arbor Fire Departments and City Hall, and Washtenaw County Health Department. Narcan is also available without a prescription at all major phar-

Narcotics Anonymous. (800) 230-4085. 12-step support group for people with substance abuse problems. Meetings every day in and around Ann Arbor. Call to talk with someone in recovery from addiction. washtenaw.na@gmail.com, michigan-na.org/

Washtenaw Health Initiative Opioid Project. Crisis line: (800) 440–7548. Washtenaw ACCESS: (734) 544–3050. Clinical staff assist with the opioid addiction recovery process by identifying insurance coverage, medical assessments, and referrals needed for treatment. whiopioidproject.org

## UTILITIES

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